

# DE VEULLE CASE: CINEMA ACTOR'S EVIDENCE

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## THE BRITISH CLIMATE: A SPECIMEN OF OUR WINTER



Passengers from held-up trams in Lea-Bridge-road continued their journey by wagon.



Carrying passengers from bus in Lea Bridge-road.



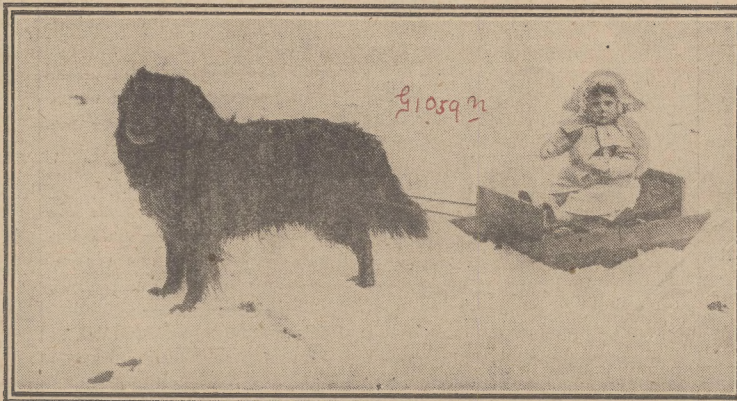
In the Lea Bridge-road.



Floods hold up motor-buses.



What the Colne Valley's like.



Real genuine winter weather that is pleasant and does not cause rheumatism and influenza.



Aptly named 'The Ship Aground.'

The British climate has long been the subject of jest, but it is difficult to be funny about yesterday. To say "Good morning" was a mockery, for more wretched weather could

not be imagined. Lea Bridge-road is flooded as the result of the Lea overflowing its banks, and motor-buses and trams could not proceed along it.

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## DRUG DRAMA: MORE STORIES.

### Cinema Actor's Account of "Dope" Parties.

#### "COCAINE PURCHASES."

### De Veuille Remanded—Magistrate Still Refuses to Grant Bail.

When Reggie de Veuille appeared again at Bow-street yesterday to answer a charge of manslaughter arising out of the Billie Carleton tragedy, Lionel Belcher, the cinema actor, of Great Portland-street, gave evidence.

Raoul Reginald de Veuille is aged thirty-eight. He is a dress designer, of Ridgmount-gardens, Gower-street, and is charged with the manslaughter at Savoy Court of Florence Leonora Stewart, otherwise known as Billie Carleton, by unlawfully supplying her with cocaine.

Prominent characters in the case are: Miss Billie Carleton, a popular young actress, who was found dead in her flat after the Victory Ball at the Albert Hall, and who, it has been stated in evidence, attended "dope" parties at the De Veuilles' flat, where opium was smoked, and also journeyed to Chinatown to obtain opium.

Reggie de Veuille, who admits taking cocaine, but denies that he supplied any to Miss Carleton.

Lionel Belcher, a prominent witness for the prosecution, who is alleged to have supplied cocaine to De Veuille.

Dr. Stuart, of Knightsbridge, a friend of Miss Carleton, who has said that he had warned her against taking cocaine and had treated her professionally for the effects both of cocaine-taking and opium-smoking.

De Veuille was remanded in custody till Friday, the magistrate saying that he could not consider any application for bail until the case for the prosecution was completed.

### BELCHER'S EVIDENCE.

### Cinema Actor Tells of Opium-Smoking Parties.

De Veuille again presented the appearance of greatly improved health, and stepped smartly into the dock.

Two of the leading counsel in the case, Sir R. Muir, who is prosecuting for the Treasury, and Mr. Huntly Jenkins, who is defending De Veuille, were again absent through illness, and Mr. Eustace, the prosecutor, while Mr. G. L. F. Bridgman represented De Veuille.

Sophia Chown giving an address in Park-lane, said that on the morning following the night of the ball she received a telephone message.

"I was somewhere between 10.45 and 10.50," said witness, "and I recognised the voice as that of Miss Carleton. She seemed quite normal."

Lionel Belcher, Great Portland-street, cinema actor, said that he knew a man named Don Kimful, who lived at Henbridge-road, Notting Hill Gate. Witness was there late one night nine or ten weeks before Miss Carleton's death.

Miss Carleton and De Veuille were also present. Replying to counsel, Belcher said that he took heroin. So far as he remembered, at Kimful's house De Veuille asked for cocaine, but Belcher did not hear Kimful's reply.

Belcher said that he knew Miss Desmond, and remembered going to her flat one night. Mr. and Mrs. de Veuille, Mrs. Lo Ping You, Miss Olive Desmond and Miss Carleton were there at an opium-smoking party.

Witness referred to another party in Dover-street, at which Miss Carleton, Mrs. de Veuille, Mrs. Lo Ping You and others were present.

De Veuille had discussed Mrs. Lo Ping You in connection with cocaine, and had said that the cocaine he got from her was very poor.

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### MR. BOTTOMLEY'S SEAT.

### Commons Comedy of Manœuvres with M.P.'s Visiting Card.

Amusement was caused in the House of Commons yesterday when Mr. Bottomley asked for a ruling by the Speaker.

Observing the seat of the member for South-West St. Pancras was vacant, he assumed that it had been courteously left vacant for him. (Laughter.)

"Half an hour later," said Mr. Bottomley, "I found the hon. member's card there, and being unable to find him very gently removed the card to a seat lower down. (Laughter.)"

"I was unable to find him up to 2.30, but later found that the hon. member had replaced his card." (Laughter and cheers.)

The Speaker: I am sorry the hon. member for South Hackney should have lost his seat so soon—(laughter) and I hope he will soon be in a position to replace it.

Mr. Devlin suggested that as there was considerable room for a strong man on the front Opposition bench Mr. Bottomley should be made a Privy Councillor. (Laughter.)



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## MUD BATH DAMAGE.

### Motorist to Pay Guinea for Spoiling Woman's Dress.

#### "TERRIBLY SPLASHED."

An unusual case in which a woman claimed for damages caused to her dress by splashes from a motor-car was heard at the county court at Wells (Somerset) yesterday.

The plaintiff was Ethel Pike, of Castlecary, and she asserted that Sidney Hutton, of High-bridge Farm, Alhambton, had driven his car negligently and furiously.

Her jacket and skirt, which she had worn only a few times, were splashed terribly with mud. Her dress cost £2 15s. when new, and was not now fit for a best dress.

Judge Stanger awarded her one guinea damages.

## ADMIRAL MILNE RETIRES.

### His Own Decision to Accelerate Promotion of Younger Officers.

Admiral Sir A. Berkeley Milne, G.C.V.O., K.C.B., has been placed on the retired list at his own request in order to accelerate the promotion of younger officers.

The Secretary of the Admiralty announces that this officer's professional reputation may have suffered in the opinion of the public owing to its being generally supposed that he was not appointed to the North Command in consequence of events connected with the escape of the Goeben and Breslau in 1914.

This is not the case. The Admiralty at the time published a statement exonerating Admiral Milne from blame, and it was owing to other exigencies of the time that he was not appointed to the North.

New Public Trustee.—Mr. O. R. A. Simpkin has been appointed Public Trustee.

## ARBITRATION REFUSED.

### Will Transport Workers Meet Men in 44-Hour Claim?

The Transport Workers' Federation refused yesterday to submit their forty-four hours' claim to arbitration. The employers, who have accepted arbitration, asked for an adjournment in order that they might consult with the representatives of employers in all parts of the country.

This proposal the workers' delegates accepted. Miners' Leaders met Ministers at the invitation of the Government on Thursday. The Railway Conference has been postponed till Friday.

500 Invitations have been issued by the Government for the Industrial Conference.

Trade Union Congress Parliamentary Committee interviews Admiralty, Board of Trade and Education Ministers on March 10 and 11.

Leader Opposes Strike—Cardiff believes the miners' ballot in South Wales will show a big majority for striking, but Mr. T. Richards, M.P., secretary of the South Wales Miners' Federation, declares that the men should vote against a strike.

## 'MAKE THE KAISER WORK'

### Proposal That "Wilhelmstrasse Gang" Form a Labour Company.

Herr Otto Russwuldt, secretary of the Neues Vaterland League, the only German organisation, apart from the Independent Socialist Party, which offered any sort of opposition to the war, has published a proposal for the punishment of those guilty of starting and prolonging the war.

This proposal, says a Wireless Press Berné message, is that the Kaiser, the Crown Prince, Ludendorff and the remaining military chiefs might form a labour company to be employed in Belgium and the North of France. Behnmann-Hollweg, Kuehnmann, Bernstorff and all the rest of the "Wilhelmstrasse gang" might form another labour company for employment in the same regions.

## GAMING HOUSE RAID.

### What the Police Found at a Regent-street Flat.

#### "A BAD CASE," SAYS JUDGE.

For keeping a gaming-house at his flat in Regent-street, Frank Euston Crick, aged sixty, was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour at the London Sessions yesterday.

When the police raided the place they found Crick and nine other men. Six packs of cards were on a desk, a bag containing a "baccarat shoe," and other cards, was under a bed, and several racks of unopened cards were in a locked cupboard in the bathroom.

The men had £191 in cash on them. Defendant denied that any illegal card game had been played.

Patrick Herbert McMahon, independent, of Wigmore-street, W., denied that any illegal games were played.

Mr. Travers Humphreys, prosecuting, asked: "Do you know men named Chapman and Doyle?" "I know of them," said the witness.

"I suggest you get your living by card-playing," said counsel. "Indeed, I don't," answered the witness.

Mr. Martin O'Connor (defending) explained that Doyle and Chapman were convicted in connection with obtaining a large sum of money from Lieutenant Joel, the son of Solly Joel.

Police Sergeant Goddard said that in May, 1918, the prisoner, who in the West, known as "Major" Crick, had been convicted of other offences.

He had been "warned off" Newmarket Heath, and had twice been made bankrupt. He was a member of a gang of Welsh and shona. Mr. Humphreys: Were three of the men in the flat at the time known to the police as convicted criminals?—Yes.

The Judge said that it was a particularly bad case.

## THAMES JUMPS UP.

### Most Rapid Rise Known—Floods in the Country.

London and country have been swept by a "Mizzard," and from many quarters come stories of floods.

Near Braintree (Essex) a horse and cart trying to cross a flooded ford were swept away and have not been seen since. The driver managed to escape.

The Thames has made the most rapid rise ever recalled by river officials, and last night was level at Chertsey Lock, and at Deptford it was 5 ft. above normal.

In twenty-four hours it rose 25 in. at Chertsey Lock, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. yesterday it increased 1 in. per hour.

Yesterday the river was over 5 ft. above summer level at Chertsey Lock, and at Deptford it was 5 ft. above normal.

At Molesey the Thames has risen 10 ft., and hotel proprietors are expecting their cellars to be submerged.

At Hamble Court many of the riverside gardens are over 1 ft. under water.

In the Lea Bridge-road vans are conveying people across.

Railway Sheds Up.—The High Peak Railway is snowed up for eight miles.

At Wellingborough the water is higher than it has been for seven years. Low-lying houses are flooded.

## STERN "FLU" RULES?

### Sydney Doctor "Committed" for Not Wearing "Flu" Mask.

Should new and energetic anti-flu measures be drawn up for this country?

In Sydney (Australia), where all citizens are ordered to wear "flu" masks, a doctor has been committed for trial for refusing to wear a mask.

The President of the Local Government Board has announced that the action recommended to the public by the medical officers of the Department, to deal with influenza, is being further reviewed in a memo which will be issued this week.

At Woking one victim died on his wedding day.

Out of some 200 inmates at Colchester Work-house, twenty-three have died.

In Wigan all schools are closed. The death-rate from "flu" was 16.74 last week.

In several City offices special precautions include washing the walls and floors with a disinfectant, gargle drill for the staff at lunch-time and leave for a walk of a quarter of an hour in the afternoon.

The South of Ireland has been stricken with influenza, and the death-rate is large.

In Paris there were last week 150 "flu" deaths, compared with ninety-one the preceding week. From "post-flu" diseases the death-rate was 400, compared with 279.

## L.C.C. AS "POTATO MERCHANT."

The London County Council is supplying Scotch seed potatoes to allotment holders and small growers within the County of London.

The price is 12s. per cwt., or more, delivered at purchasers' addresses, or 1s. 6d. for lots of 14lb., which must be collected.

Particulars can be obtained from Acting Chief Officer, Council's Parks Department, Aldine House, Bedford-street, Strand; W.C. 2.

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## WONDERFUL CIRCULATION

The circulation figures for the last six months of 1918 and, in detail, for January and the first fortnight of February, have been audited by Messrs. Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths and Co., whose report follows:

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Gentlemen:—We have examined the books of *The Daily Mirror* from July 1 to December 31, 1918, and certify that the average daily circulation (exclusive of free and complimentary copies) for each month was as follows:

1918.	Copies.
JULY	758,039
AUGUST	787,059
SEPTEMBER	791,523
OCTOBER	815,463
NOVEMBER (Armistice, November 11, 1918)	831,063
DECEMBER (no publication on Christmas Day or Boxing Day)	815,199

We have also examined the books of *The Daily Mirror* from January 1 to February 15, 1919, and certify that the circulation (exclusive of free and complimentary copies) was as follows:

1919.	Copies.
JANUARY	804,371
" 2	802,997
" 3	798,982
" 4	815,594
" 5	804,454
" 6	807,820
" 7	823,206
" 8	808,316
" 9	809,135
" 10	815,732
" 11	810,336
" 12	814,659
" 13	822,529
" 14	816,533
" 15	817,799
" 16	822,529
" 17	819,754
" 18	824,374
" 19	824,374
" 20	828,830
" 21	830,120
" 22	834,448
" 23	830,788
" 24	835,384
" 25	835,205
" 26	836,981
" 27	840,038
" 28	837,503
" 29	837,408
" 30	835,909
" 31	834,252
" 1	831,349
" 2	836,927
" 3	834,448
" 4	843,448
" 5	846,716
" 6	847,580
" 7	846,619
" 8	850,789

We are, yours faithfully,  
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## BOGUS SEARCH FOR OPIUM.

A tale of a bogus search for opium was told at the London Sessions yesterday, when Leslie Luxton, thirty-two, carman, and Charles Jones, thirty-one, labourer, admitted stealing watch and chain belonging to Ah Fong, and a purse belonging to Mrs. Rhodes, Ah Fong's landlady.

Representing themselves as police officers, it was stated that they searched Ah Fong and said his watch and chain smelt of opium, and took them. Mrs. Rhodes' purse was also taken.

Jones was ordered eighteen months' hard labour, and sentence on Luxton was postponed.

## NEWS ON OTHER PAGES.

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# ARMY OF 25,000 FOR HUNS?—WIPING OUT KRUPPS

## LORDS EXPLAIN THE LABOUR UPHEAVAL.

Lord Chancellor's Appeal to the Miners.

### WAR WEALTH BELIEF.

Lord Birkenhead, the Lord Chancellor (formerly Sir F. E. Smith) made his maiden speech in the House of Lords yesterday, when he outlined the causes of industrial unrest.

These causes were, he said:—

1. Reaction from the consequences of the war.
2. Derangement of the financial standard.
3. Mischief of revolutionary doctrines among a small section of the people.
4. The case of citizens who, in vile surroundings, were leading "filthy and wretched lives."

To the derangements of the financial standard was attributed the menaces of the miners', railwaymen's and transport strikes.

If his voice could reach the miners, said Lord Birkenhead, he would say: "Trust your fellow countrymen. If you can point to one remediable wrong, it shall be remedied." There would be no want of firmness in dealing with people mentioned in point three. But, formidable as our troubles were, there was not as much cause for anxiety as in the four years after Waterloo.

Every department in the Government, said Lord Birkenhead, had been exploring some line of reform, and though the situation was grave, it was not hopeless.

Lord Buckmaster, who raised the debate, said:—

"Regions Caesar never knew" had felt the force of our arms, but events were happening at home which threatened to rob victory of its triumph and peace of its repose."

During the war workers had enjoyed some of the advantages, though not in regard to hours, that they had hoped for before the war, and they resented going back to the old conditions now the war was over.

"ENDLESS WEALTH." Moreover, the war had led people to believe that there was an absolutely unfathomable depth of public wealth, which anybody could dip into if he could secure Government assistance.

The Marquis of Lansdowne said that in his view one main cause of the unrest was the immense profits of the past few years, and the other was that, though nominal wages had risen greatly, real wages, or wages as expressed in purchasing power, were a very different thing.

The debate was adjourned.

## GOVERNMENT'S PLAN TO "GET THINGS DONE."

Mr. Bonar Law and Proposals for Improving Procedure.

The Government's proposals for improvement of procedure were outlined by the Attorney-General in the House of Commons last night.

Estimates were to be referred to Standing Committees with the important exception that votes determining the number of officers and men to be employed in the Navy, Army, and Air Force were to come before the House to be dealt with in Committee of Supply.

With regard to Bills and Supply there would be a much greater use of Standing Committees. Mr. Donald Macdonald said the bedrock of the matter was that the Government were taking away from the House the real control of the executive power, and the House was really selling its birthright for a mess of pottage.

Mr. Bonar Law said he had made it necessary to get things done without delay.

Unless the Government got their scheme through in a form which made it possible to do the work the Government had undertaken, it would be impossible to attempt it. (Hear, hear.)

He was inclined to think they must make a permanent part of their machinery some re-examination from the spending point of view, but these proposals were only to deal with congestion of business and get through an unusual amount of work this session. The proposals were only for a year.

Captain Stanley Wilson thought if the scheme was passed as it stood it would be extremely serious for parliamentary life.

Mr. Adamson said the Government had gone to work at the wrong end. It should have shortened speeches. Twenty minutes was long enough for anybody.

The motion was agreed to.

## BERNSTEIN FOR LONDON.

ZURICH, Tuesday. A dispatch from Weimar says that Edward Bernstein will probably be the future Ambassador to London.—Exchange.

## Allied Commission Complete Terms That Will Anticipate the Peace Treaty.

### SEA RETRIBUTION: HUNS SINK U-BOATS.

The Allies intend that the claws of Germany shall be fully cut and properly trimmed.

In Paris the Armistice Commissioners have completed the terms of what is described as the Definitive Armistice. This is to last till the Peace Treaty is made, and will include the main points of that Treaty.

The new terms will

Fix size of Germany's army.

Reduce Germany's war material.

Demilitarise certain provinces.

Secure the demolition of Heligoland and Kiel Canal defences.

It is suggested that Germany ought not to keep more than 25,000 men under arms.

Marshal Foch will probably acquaint the Germans with the new decisions to-morrow or Friday.

## GUARD TO FRANCE'S EASTERN FRONTIER.

Foch to Tell Huns of Terms This Week.

PARIS, Tuesday.

The Special Commission of Eight Members appointed to decide on the terms of the armistice has almost completed its work.

Their terms will be submitted constantly for the approval of the Great Powers.

It is probable that Foch will be in a position to acquaint the Germans with the text on Thursday or Friday next.—Exchange.

The Armistice Commissions are meeting at Marshal Foch's Military Bureau.

The main proposal before the Commissioners aims at reducing the military strength of Germany to the level which she will be allowed to maintain in time of peace.

What is sought is the fixing of a permanent standard of military strength for the whole of Europe, a standard to which the Allied Powers would work down gradually after peace is signed.

The business of the moment, however, is to decide on the quota of troops Germany can be allowed to retain, and to which she must reduce her establishment immediately.

FACTORIES MUST GO.

With the reduction in men and war material there must also be a corresponding reduction in Germany's capacity to produce guns and munitions, and this will entail either the destruction or the transformation of a certain proportion of her armament factories.

The Allies, further, intend to insist on the demilitarisation of certain German provinces, which means that in these districts Germany will be forbidden to keep troops.

In this way the French case regarding the left bank of the Rhine and the security of France's eastern frontier might be met.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig arrived here last night.—Reuter.

The Special Commission appointed to fix the terms of the definitive armistice, says Reuter, has completed its labours, and its conclusions will be at once submitted to the Supreme War Council, in order that Foch (who is now reported to have gone back to Treves after a long interview with Mr. Clemenceau) may communicate them to Germany to-morrow or Friday. The same message says that it is held that, for her own policing purposes, Germany ought not to keep a force of more than 25,000 men under arms.

All war material over and above what should be necessary for the equipment of these troops would accordingly be placed under the control of the Allies, as would also all war factories.—Reuter.

### HUNS SINK U-BOATS.

Fate of Vessels Not Dismantled in Allies' Time Limit.

AMSTERDAM, Monday.

A telegram from Kiel reports that in compliance with the demands of the Allied Naval Commission, several German submarines which had not been dismantled within the specified time were to-day taken out to sea from Germania Wharf in order to be sunk.

Three thousand workmen employed at Germania Wharf are to be dismissed, there being no further employment for them.—Central News.

"Knock-out" for Krupp's.—The new armistice, says the Exchange, will include the dismantling of Heligoland and Kiel, at least



Sir C. Stewart, who has resigned post of Public Trustee. Mr. O. E. A. Simpkin is the new Trustee.



Admiral Sir Berkeley Milne, who has retired at his own request to facilitate promotion of others.

within the League limitations, the destruction of submarines, and action in the matter of Krupp's in accordance with the League ideals.

Asked what would happen to Krupp's, one authority replied: "Probably the same as was happening to American breweries." Some more radical plans have been advanced, such as the complete destruction of German fortifications, but no decisions have been taken.—Exchange.

Germany's Future Army.—Herr Noske, the German Secretary for War, says a Wireless Press message, is preparing a Bill modelling Germany's future army on a mixture of conscription and the Swiss militia system. The proposal will be modified if the peace terms end every form of compulsory service.

A General Strike is fixed to begin in Essen to-day.

### LAST MINUTE WISDOM.

Hun Majority Who Wanted to Break Off Relations.

A Weimar telegram states that it was only at the last minute that the party leaders prevented the breaking off of the negotiations for the temporary armistice just signed.

Before definitely instructing Erzberger to sign, the party leaders were called in and they persuaded the majority not to break off relations. Count Rantzau, the Foreign Minister, then resigned, but later he decided to remain if the Government, rather than he, took the responsibility for signing and the consequences.

Erzberger, it is understood, had determined on his own responsibility not to sign unless ordered to do so. He was ordered.—Exchange.

A telegram in the Dusseldorfer Generalanzeiger reports the resignation of the Naval Secretary of State, Ritter von Mann, which has been accepted.—Reuter.

M. Marcel Hutin, who has just returned from Treves, writing in the Echo de Paris, says:—

"The German delegates have observed this spectacle of war, provided by new convoys of artillery with brand new guns, from their train, and have meditated on what it means."—Central News.

### COMMERCIAL AVIATION.

Discussing the question of commercial aviation at the Aldwych Club yesterday, Lieut.-Col. W. A. Bristol, R.A.F., said that the regulations to be made must be comprehensive in character applying to both commercial and military machines.

As soon as the regulations were ready they would be published in the London Gazette, and flying would commence about April 1. Mr. Churchill was very anxious that nobody could say that the Government was in any degree blocking the way.

## ALLIES TO TACKLE THE RUSSIAN PROBLEM.

'Energetic Policy?' but No Decision Yet.

### BOLSHEVIST DISUNION.

PARIS, Tuesday.

After hearing Marshal Foch yesterday at three o'clock, the Superior War Council of the Allies was occupied with the Russian question, but no decision was arrived at on this formidable problem.

The subject will be resumed after an interval of three days.

It is probable that the non-Bolshevist Government representatives at Archangel and those of the Ural and Kuban Governments who are now in Paris will be given a hearing.—Exchange.

"More Energetic Policy."—There is reliable authority for stating that the Five-Power Council now recognises the necessity for a change of attitude in regard to the Russian situation. This tendency, which began to manifest itself before the departure of President Wilson, has become much more marked since the arrival of Mr. Winston Churchill.

There is a growing disposition to adopt a more energetic policy, but no definite decision has yet been reached.—Central News.

M. Tchaikovsky, in Paris, says: "We have positive reports from our generals that the proposal of peace negotiations at Prinkipo has produced a very detrimental effect on our troops, and, therefore, was dangerous to our cause."

FIVE REFUSALS.

"We decline to go to Prinkipo, and the Governments of Omsk, the Don, Ekaterinodar, Crimea and Archangel are in agreement."—Reuter's Special.

Denikin's Victory.—General Denikin's forces operating in the Caucasus have occupied Kilihar and reached the Caspian, says a Reuter Odessa message.

In twelve days General Denikin has advanced about 350 miles and taken 31,000 prisoners, 35 guns, eight armoured trains, and a huge quantity of other war material.

According to an official dispatch, the wagons of booty cover about twenty miles of the railway line, and the army, numbering close on 100,000 men, has been smashed.

Moscow v. Petrograd.—There is disunion between the Moscow and Petrograd Governments, according to the Svenska Dagbladet of Copenhagen, says the Exchange. The former, under Lenin, is prepared to accept the demands of the Allies, in view of the hopelessness of the economic situation, but the Petrograd Government energetically protests against this.

Peace Conference Official.—It was decided to submit the question of the frontiers claimed by Serbs, Slovenes and Croats, with the exception of those in which Italy was directly interested, to the commission already charged with the examination of the question.

WORLD LABOUR PLAN.

Cost of Peace Query.—On Colonel Guinness asking in the Commons yesterday: "Is it a fact that the Conference is costing £20,000 a day more than the South African war?" The Speaker intervened, saying: "The hon. member and gallant member must give notice of that."

The Labour Charter.—The Commission on International Labour has agreed on sixteen points out of the twenty-four that make up the British proposal.

Preparing Bill for Huns.—The Commission on Reparations has begun its task of estimating Germany's financial capacity and the amounts to be exacted from her.

## PRESIDENT WILSON'S TASK IN AMERICA.

Senators Revolt—Invitation to Dinner Declined.

New York, Tuesday.

The Washington correspondent of the Sun states that on his arrival in America next week President Wilson will find himself face to face with serious difficulties in connection with the League of Nations scheme.—Central News.

Mr. Borah has declined the invitation to dine with the President at the White House to discuss the question of the League of Nations.

Senator Poindexter has announced his intention to disavow the President's request not to debate the question of the formation of the League until his return.

—Senator Vardaman, speaking in the Senate, assailed President Wilson's request to Congress to refrain from debating the League.—Exchange.

### POLES TAKE BREST.

PARIS, Tuesday.

The Petit Parisien Geneva correspondent states that the Polish Army, after heavy fighting, has occupied Brest-Litovsk.—Reuter.



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**QUEEN'S.** "THE LUCK OF THE NAVY." Nightly, at 8. PERCY HENDERSON. Mats. Mon. Wed. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
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**ST. JAMES.** Gertrude Elliott in "EYES OF YOUTH." 2.15 and 8. Mats. Wed. Sat., at 2.30.  
**ST. MARTIN'S.** Evenings, 8.15. "CERTAINLY I'VE LOST." by M. Hastings. Seymour Hicks. Lady Tree. 8.15. "THE DIVINE DISORDER." 8.15. Mats. Mon. Wed. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
**SCALA.** "MATHESON LANG IN THE PURPLE MASK." 8.15. Mats. Mon. Thurs. Sat., 2.30. Ger. 1.44.  
**SHAFESBURY.** "YES, UNCLE!" (2nd Year). Evenings, 8. Mats. Mon. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
**STRAND.** "ARTHUR BOURCHIER IN 'SCANDAL.'" 8.15. Mats. Wed. Thurs. and Sat., 2.30.  
**VAUDEVILLE.** "The New Key in 'BOY IN THE BUZZ.'" 8.15. Mats. Mon. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
**WINDHAM'S.** "The Comedy of Errors." 8.15. Mats. Mon. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
**ALHAMBRA.** Even. 8. Mats. Wed. Thurs. Sat., 2.15. Bing Boy and the Little Prince.  
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**HIPPONDROME.** London. Twice Daily, 2.30 and 8.30. 2nd Edition of "Box of Tricks." Harry Tate. Ger. 6.50.  
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## BELCHER TELLS OF COCAINE PURCHASES. Says He Obtained Four Lots for De Veulle.

### "A PINCH OF SNUFF."

(Continued from page 2.)

Belcher gave details of his purchases of cocaine from a chemist in Lisle-street.

De Veulle, he said, asked him to get him some cocaine, and Belcher gave him four lots altogether, one at De Veulle's flat, another at Hockley's, and the other two were called for by McGinty (De Veulle's maid).

The occasion when he gave De Veulle the cocaine at Hockley's was about four days before the Victory Ball. A few days before the Victory Ball witness received a telegram signed "McGinty" to meet her outside the Café Royal.

He met McGinty and gave her some cocaine which he had with him. It was part of the second £10 lot he bought at Lisle-street. McGinty gave him £5 either that day or the next. He saw McGinty the next night in response to a similar telegram, and in the morning she came to his flat.

He gave her a packet with "£5" and "C" written on it.

Belcher said at the Victory Ball De Veulle said: "I am going to have a pinch of snuff."

"I have seen Miss Carleton take cocaine at these opium parties," said witness.

Witness said that they remained in Miss Carleton's flat at Savoy Court on the morning after the Victory Ball about two hours.

Belcher next spoke of a conversation with De Veulle after Miss Carleton's death, at which they discussed the question how she died. De Veulle told him he was to say nothing.

Did he say what he was going to do?—Also to say nothing.

Was the question discussed as to where he got the cocaine from?—I asked him if he had given her any cocaine.

Did he make any reply?—No.

Witness also said that De Veulle at the same interview said that Miss Longfellow was the only person who had seen him give cocaine to Miss Carleton.

### "IF THAT IS DOPE"

Miss Malvina Longfellow and Little Gold Box.

Miss Malvina Longfellow described a visit she paid to Miss Carleton at Savoy Court, when both Mr. and Mrs. De Veulle were present.

"Miss Carleton looked very nice," she said. "De Veulle came in. He went to the dressing-table and took up a little gold box."

"He opened it and took some of the contents of the box on a manicure instrument, and sniffed it up his nose. He then handed the box to Miss Carleton, who took a pinch between her fingers and sniffed it up."

Witness said: "If that is dope you ought to be hit!" De Veulle did not say anything.

At a dance at the Criton on armistice night, at which De Veulle and Belcher were present, she asked De Veulle how Miss Carleton was. He replied that she was ill again.

"I begged him," said Miss Longfellow, "not to give her any more drugs."

What did he say?—He said: "I have given her very little lately, and I won't give her any more."

### VICTORY BALL—AND AETER.

What Miss Carleton's Maid Found in the Gold Box.

Mrs. Flora Baxter, dresser to Miss Carleton, described the visit of McGinty to the Haymarket Theatre, before the Victory Ball, at which she brought a note for Miss Carleton. In consequence Mrs. Baxter took £5 from Miss Carleton's bag and gave it to McGinty.

She helped to dress Miss Carleton at the theatre for the Victory Ball and put into her bag the gold box.

May Booker, Miss Carleton's maid, said that on the day of the Victory Ball she received a telephone message from De Veulle for Miss Carleton.

On the morning after the Victory Ball Booker went to Miss Carleton's room and found her asleep, but breathing heavily. At three o'clock the sound stopped. Half an hour later she went back and, failing to awaken Miss Carleton, summoned assistance.

In the gold box she found a white powder. Maud Norman, secretary of Hockley's, New Bond-street, said that at the time of her death Miss Carleton owed the firm £154.

Herbert Munro, of Buckingham-gate, chairman and managing director at Hockley's, said that Mr. and Mrs. De Veulle were employed by the firm at a joint salary of £1,200 per year. Mr. Bridgeman, renewing his application for bail, said that a contract received by Hockley's could not be carried out unless De Veulle was able to pay the firm £250,000.

The magistrate stated that he could not entertain any application for bail until the case before him had been completed.

It was later stated on behalf of Messrs. Hockley's that De Veulle's attendance in connection with the large contract was not required.

## "REVOLVER SCENE."

Barrister Charged with Pointing  
Weapon at a Cadet.

### A PICTURE THEATRE INCIDENT.

A scene at the London Opera House, Kingsway, in which it was alleged that a barrister had drawn a revolver from his pocket after an altercation with two cadets, was described at Bow-street yesterday.

Defendant was Charles Elmore, fifty-one, barrister, of Dr. Johnson's-buildings, Temple. Mr. Brooks, a cadet in the 11th O.C.B., stated that on Monday afternoon he was at Stoll's Picture Theatre with a brother cadet named Walmsley. They occupied seats in the stalls just behind the accused.

Elmore, said witness, suddenly turned round and said to Mr. Walmsley: "Will you have the good manners to take your feet away from the back of the seat?"

Mr. Walmsley's feet were not near Elmore's chair and witness told him so. Elmore then said: "Another word from you and you go out of the theatre feet first." To this witness replied that he would take his chance of that. Defendant then turned on witness and said: "I'll send you to hell in about two minutes," at the same time covering him with a revolver and aiming it at his head.

A policeman was sent for, and the manager requested Elmore to go outside, but he refused. The officer then removed defendant to the rear of the theatre, where he was taken from him by an officer of the R.F. and unloaded for safety.

Defendant was taken to Bow-street and searched, when another loaded revolver was found in his possession.

Elmore, I said, taking the revolver out of my pocket and saying: "I have got something here which will make you stop," but I did not point it at you or attempt to shoot you, although you were laughing at me.

No doubt he ought to have sent for the manager and complained.

Police-Constable Hebbes said that when he went to the accused the latter pulled a revolver from his coat-pocket, saying: "This is an organised plan, and I shall do something to stop it." Elmore, who said that the matter was a trivial one, asked for bail, but Mr. Graham Campbell declined to allow this.

## THE NATION'S HEALTH.

Bill That Safeguards Wellbeing of  
Mothers and Children.

The text of the Ministry of Health Bill, issued yesterday, provides that it shall be the duty of the Minister to take all such steps as may be desirable to secure the effective carrying-out and co-ordination of measures conducive to the health of the people.

Among other powers transferred to the Minister shall be those of the Board of Education with respect to attending to the health of expectant mothers and nursing mothers, and of children who have not attained the age of five years and are not in attendance at schools.

## NEWS ITEMS.

Aliens' Bill is to be introduced.

Sir Thomas Dyke Acland died yesterday at Killerton Park.

Mr. Harold Soames (father of Lady Baden-Powell) left £261,943 8s. 3d.

To-day's Weather.—Light, indefinite breezes; fine morning mist or fog; cold.

Builders' Strike.—Attempts are being made to settle the strike of builders throughout America. —Reuter.

The Coalition dinner has been definitely fixed for Friday next at the Savoy at 7.30 for eight o'clock.

Demobilised.—Between the date of the armistice and February 18, 1,515,743 officers and men have left the Army.

The political breakfast, at which the Prime Minister and Mr. Bonar Law were to speak on Friday, is postponed.

Schoolmaster Found Dead.—Mr. J. Chappell, headmaster of Oxford-street Boys' School, Swansea, was found dead in the school yesterday.

Season Ticket Concession.—The Metropolitan and Electric Railways are to extend seasons to correspond to the period when holders were unable to travel.

Central Hall Wedding.—The first wedding to be celebrated in the Central Hall, Westminster, was the marriage there yesterday of Miss Hilda Coombes and Captain William A. Poucher.

Lost Cruiser.—In connection with the loss of the cruiser Cochrane, which ran ashore in the Mersey, a naval court-martial at Portsmouth yesterday adjudged that Captain Uchired Fairie should be reprimanded.

Lord Sinha's Loss.—Mrs. A. Sinha, Lord Sinha's daughter-in-law, has died in Calcutta as the result of injuries received through her garments catching fire while preparing her infant's food, says Reuter.

S.A. Nationalists.—The South African Nationalist deputation, having been offered the use of his Majesty's cruiser Minerva by the admiral in command of the Cape Station, will probably accept that offer, says Reuter.

Married a "Wren."—On a charge of bigamously marrying a "Wren," the widow of a marine killed in the attack on the mole at Zeebrugge, William E. Bartham, a private in the Royal Marines, was, at Deal yesterday, committed for trial.

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## IS PARLIAMENT DYING?

WE hope not. We assert not, out of politeness. But there are times when we gravely feel the pulse of Parliament and gloomily fear that the days of the Old Body are numbered.

A symptom that alarms us just now (for example) is the 'growing tendency to refer important things, things that matter, things that *must* be settled, to—well, to Conferences, to extra-Parliamentary Commissions or opinions, to meetings of Labour and Capital, or to some *man*, like the Prime Minister; but not to Parliament as Parliament, not to the House of Commons above all.

For, in recent years, to refer a thing to Parliament—to try to get a thing done by Parliament—has been felt to be vain and hopeless.

Result—oblivion for that thing: oblivion, extinction, death.

Certainly, the new House of Commons with its new members (all terribly perplexed by its old rules) must begin to be aware of all this.

Otherwise, surely the Old Body would not this week be endeavouring to get itself a new soul.

How? By abolishing some of her old rules.

We are in for a series of reconstructive and almost revolutionary measures in legislation. Impossible to put them through, and so to assuage the demands of the discontented land, unless the creaking machinery be oiled, or scrapped altogether.

Let us hope that yesterday's and to-day's debate, then, will end in a more convenient, but not a *reactionary* procedure.

Let us wish the Old Body a new alertness but not (as under Cromwell) that She should be superannuated at the bidding of impatient Ministers wanting "to get things done without discussion."

## FEWER PEOPLE!

Measures intended to stimulate population... are futile; for every baby saved sends another out of the world or prevents him from coming into it. The taxation required will soon complete the extermination of the best stock, whose birth-rate is already only half that of the stunts.—*Dean Inge, of St. Paul's.*

IT is (if we may say so) odd to hear the plain facts about the root-problem of to-day being clearly spoken out by a clergyman of the Church of England. But since they are facts, we gladly repeat them once more, though we have often drawn attention to them here.

For the rest, Dean Inge in turn is only repeating the essential economic doctrine of such eminent and high-minded Victorian teachers as John Stuart Mill. And the facts they, he and we insist upon are these:—

1. The modern economic world is overpopulated.

2. The modern economic world is wrongly populated—its numbers being mainly recruited from the most ignorant, the most thriftless and the least healthy classes in it.

3. Nothing that can be done or said by the State can ever again induce self-respecting people to bring children into the world they cannot afford to support and to make as beautiful and as happy as a crowded "civilisation" will allow them to be.

4. Therefore, artificial "bounties" and inducements to thriftless parenthood appeal only to the worst and most ignorant classes in the community.

5. Therefore, again, the better parents, being taxed to keep the children of the worst, cannot themselves bring children up.

6. Therefore, to put a premium on such thriftless parenthood amongst the lower classes is simply to sterilise the middle classes. Which is exactly what is being done to-day.

When will this become clear to all?

## BEAUTY AND BRAINS: WHY NOT BOTH?

### A FACT CONFIRMED BY OUR BEAUTY COMPETITION.

By JOAN KENNEDY.

EVER since Plato remarked that the two greatest gifts which nature could confer on a woman were brains and beauty, people have gone through life with the idea that the two gifts are rarely bestowed on the same person.

A pretty girl was expected to be a brainless one.

"She's no need to be clever, with a face like that," we said of particular beauties from time to time, or we spoke of "Just a pretty doll, you know, with no thought beyond her own reflection in the mirror."

The "blue stocking" was always pictured with tightly drawn tresses, hard collars, and spectacles. Only the girl who could lay no claim to beauty was supposed to be able to

tions, and it isn't always the ugly girl who heads the list.

But here I anticipate an objection. People will say: "The very effort of learning and studying destroys looks. Much reading maketh a woman short-sighted. And a short-sighted woman must wear glasses."

And there you are! That is only a beginning. I reply that it isn't so, anyhow, with men. Many men of genius and learning have had wonderful faces. Think of the young Ruskin—and the old Ruskin, too. Think of William Morris's fine leonine head. Think of Shelley. Think of Byron. Think of the beautiful Milton.

### IT GIVES SELF-CONFIDENCE.

Surely these examples prove that there's no necessary connection between intellectual eminence and plainness of feature.

I suppose, too, I shall be told that pretty girls don't take the trouble to be clever.

I can only answer that, in my experience, pretty girl clerks in City offices and in

### WHAT WE MAY HAVE TO COME TO!



The influenza mask as the only safeguard against public sneezers—those public peets.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

concentrate on study. Plainness meant the necessity to cultivate brain power. Beauty could be as empty-headed as she pleased, and lose not a jot in popularity.

So the myth grew—a pretty girl couldn't be brainy.

But *The Daily Mirror* Beauty Competition has exploded the myth.

Forty-two thousand beauties, and all of them workers!

They represent every section of war work. Lovely faces peeping from the munition maker's cap, or from beneath the coquettish headgear of the A.S.C.; pen drivers and ambulance drivers; concert organisers and hospital workers; heads of departments in Ministries and businesses; girls who have made aeroplanes, land fillers and conductresses; they prove beyond a shadow of doubt that what Plato called Nature's two greatest gifts are often bestowed as twin gifts to woman-kind.

It is high time we swept aside the ridiculous fallacy that a pretty face must necessarily mean an empty head.

Pretty girls nowadays do cultivate their brains.

Those fascinating flappers who flock from the commercial colleges pass their examina-

banks know their work and do it. They are not for ever powdering their noses and fluffing their kiss curls, as some people imagine. The knowledge of beauty gives a girl self-confidence, and the natural beauty hasn't to be for ever making the best of herself.

Big firms purposely choose good-looking women for their saleswomen, buyers and travellers when it is a question of choosing between equally capable women, the one blessed with good looks, the other lacking in them. They know what a power beauty and brains together are in the business world.

No girl is "too pretty to be clever" in these days, when woman competes with man in the labour market. Beauty without brain doesn't carry a woman very far, whether she's on the stage or in the office, a saleswoman or a tea-shop waitress. And girls are aware of the fact. Pretty girls of to-day look after their brains as well as their beauty. The labour market has no use for dainty bits of Dresden china unless the wonderful grey matter is inside.

But, given beauty and the sense to cultivate her brain power, there is no height to which a girl may not aspire. Plato was right—beauty and brains together form Nature's greatest gift!

J. K.

## "HOME PARTNERS."

### SHOULD THE WIFE HELP BY EARNING HER OWN LIVING?

"BOTH WEARY."

IT is not hard to see why men don't on the whole want to marry women who earn their living.

It means that there is nobody to look after the home.

It means that when man and wife return home after the day's work each finds nothing tidy and nothing ready for them.

Then the wife is as weary as the man and two weary people together—that makes for quarrels, not happiness. A MARRIED MAN.

Elm Park-road, S.W.

### WHILE PRICES ARE HIGH.

I, FOR one, intend to allow my wife to go on earning her living in these hard times—while prices what they are!

Our marriage will be a partnership and she shall have as much say as I in the management of the home. JUST DEMOLISHED. Putney.

### HE INSISTS!

WHERE do your readers get the idea that men won't marry (financially) independent women?

I'm afraid we're not such heroes in peace, whatever we may have been in the war. One man I know absolutely insists on his wife keeping on with her work. He says he can't afford to support her otherwise! F. M. E.

### TOO INDEPENDENT.

I'VE met recently the only woman I've ever cared for in my life—the only one I ever shall.

She has been economically independent for a number of years, has had only herself to think about, and has acquired rather expensive and extravagant ideas.

She has been rather a favourite with men, and has been taken out a good deal by them.

The consequence is that she has got the habit of wishing for and demanding much in the way of attention and amusement.

She's thirty years of age, but doesn't care to be engaged, whether because I cannot earn enough at present to satisfy her wants or not, I don't know.

I do know she cares for me.

What does the future hold out for such as she? The time must come soon when her daily work and amusements will cease to satisfy her. She'll begin to feel lonely and unhappy in her two rooms.

Then when she has passed the "age limit" she will realise what a mistake she has made—one impossible to rectify.

WOULD-BE HUSBAND.

### DANCING AT SCHOOL.

I SHOULD very much like to see facilities afforded in public schools for those who wish to learn to dance to do so. Most boys are little for dancing until they are about seventeen, after that they often like it very much—but they don't know how to do it, and it is a difficult art to acquire after a certain age.

Personally my dancing days began when I was six years old, and have gone on ever since. Not, of course, at school, but in the holidays—even during the war.

Most boys, however, have not been so fortunate. I know several who, since the armistice, have had innumerable invitations to dances, but by the time they had learnt the somewhat intricate jazz and fox-trot sufficiently well to adventure in a ballroom, their all too brief holidays were almost over.

Should like, too, to see dancing an institution in public schools, but as these are always the last homes in England of conservatism and the established order of things, I doubt whether it will ever be. MALVERNIAN.

I SEE that the question of dancing at public schools has been brought up in *The Daily Mirror*, and I think the idea most excellent, as it affords good exercise and can be done on a wet day.

Again, who in these days of the dancing craze can really enjoy himself unless he has learnt to jazz and fox-trot?

Nevertheless, I would not venture to term dancing part of an education, as one correspondent has done, but rather a pleasant interlude among the other public school recreations. ELTON COLLEGE, WINDSOR. AN ELTONIAN.

### THE FAIR MUSICIAN.

How oft, when thou, my music, music play'st, Upon that blessed wood whose motion sounds With thy sweet fingers, when they gently sway't The very concord that mine ear confounds.

Do I envy those jacks that nimble leap To kiss the tender inward of thy hand, Whilst my poor lips, which should that harvest reap, At the wood's boldness by their blushing stand!

To be so tick'd, they would change their state And situation with those dancing chips, O'er whom thy fingers walk with gentle gait, Making dead wood more bless'd than living lips.

Since saucy jacks so happy are in this, Give them thy fingers, me thy lips to kiss. —SHAKESPEARE.

### A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Perhaps there is no greater test of a man's regularity and easiness of conscience than his readiness to face the postman. Blessed is he who is made happy by the sound of a rat-tat! The good are eager for it; but the naughty tremble at the sound thereof.—*Thackeray.*



# FALKLANDS AND ZEEBRUGGE: TWO FAMOUS ADMIRALS MADE FREEMEN.

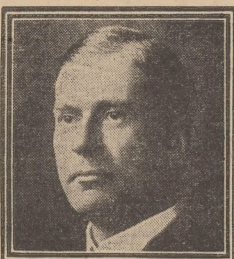


Admiral Sir F. C. Doveton Sturdee, Bart., who was made a freeman of Chatham yesterday, receiving the casket from the Mayor. Vice-Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, D.S.O.

(seated next to Sir Doveton's temporarily vacated chair) was similarly honoured. Both signed the roll and made speeches.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



**A WELL-EARNED HOLIDAY.**—Lady Blane, who is working with the Y.M.C.A. in France, is home on three weeks' leave, and is staying at 78, Buckinghamgate, S.W. She has done very valuable work.



**HIS WAR WORK FINISHED.**—Mr. R. F. Dunnell, who is resuming his duties as secretary and solicitor of the North-Eastern Railway Company. He was lent to the Admiralty at the request of Sir Eric Geddes.



**A NEW JULIET.**—Miss Doris Keane, who will appear as Juliet at the Lyric early in April. "Roxana" will be withdrawn.



**AUCTION ON WARSHIP.**—The master-at-arms selling a dead man's kit. The proceeds generally go to the widow, so it is a point of honour with the men to run up the bidding.



**TWO YEARS IN HOSPITAL.**—What might have proved weary hours have been profitably passed by Gunner Jameson, who embroiders tray covers. He has trained himself to work with his left hand, his right hand being swathed in bandages and dressings.



**GOOD FIT GUARANTEED.**—Demobilised men exchanging the civilian suits which have been issued to them. If they are not a fit the men are entitled to return them and exchange them for another, but the percentage of mistakes made is remarkably small, considering that about 10,000 are issued daily.



# ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DERELICT CHILDREN!

## NEED FOR MINISTRY OF CHILDREN IN BETTER BRITAIN.

By NEWMAN FLOWER.

Mr. Flower, the author of "The Boy Who Did Grow Up," writes with great sympathy upon this most important topic.

"RECONSTRUCTION" is a vague and elastic term, big-sounding and pretentious. It may cost a lot and seem a lot, yet be merely superficial.

What I want the "reconstructionists" to tell me is:—

What is the State going to do for the 100,000 derelict children in this country to-day?



Mr. Newman Flower.

That they are derelict is largely due to the war.

The State has heretofore been the worst example of parentage extant. It has never understood children. It has been, in the main, a mature creation for mature minds. It has permitted legions of derelict children to drift through the gutters of the cities to the paths of crime and social menace.

It has tinkered with the problem at odd times and produced homes and schools conducted on restricted and unimaginative lines, believing that every child is the same as every other child—places that cramp and kill individuality and character and develop automatons.

In its conception of childhood the State has shown a bludgeoned intelligence, often primeval in brutality, mechanical, unsympathetic—utterly unsympathetic. And a State that cannot recognise riches in its children is like a man who has a thousand-pound cheque in his pocket and cannot read.

During the past few months I have been making a careful inquiry into the case of these hundred thousand, their condition and prospects. Especially in regard to the Barnardo Homes.

I have been into the worst slums of the great cities, into the haunts of these children. I have seen the suffering of children that has sickened me, and I marvel still that a nation that neglects its treasure—for Youth is treasure—has borne itself so far.

SIR JAMES BARRIE'S VIEW.

As the result of what I have seen I have become convinced of the value of Barnardism as a national asset. Here is an institution ceaselessly groping in the slow pools of suffering, and giving back to the State in the process of time great quantities of salved humanity. It has "listening men" searching always for suffering children. It takes in not one child, but a whole family if necessary. It never ceases or is still.

Well, you may say that the State will put a derelict child into a State-home, so why is Barnardo so wonderful?

My answer is plain.

The State will train that child, whatever its temperament, its character, to a certain fixed pattern, much as it would make a square brick out of plastic clay. But Barnardo's regards every child as the exception to every other child. It makes that child what that child wants to become. It coaxes out character that has been deadened by suffering; it puts life, new vision, imagination into minds where thought has become stilled.

In the book which I have written as the result of my investigations, and which Cassell's will publish this week under the title of "The Boy Who Did Grow Up," I have endeavoured to show some of the marvels of the Barnardo system and its work, for I have discovered more miracles in one day's inquiry into the Barnardo campaign than I found in an average year before.

And in the course of his introduction to my book Sir J. M. Barrie, who knows the mind of a child better than any man living, says of Barnardism that it is "work every statesman should be compelled by law to familiarise himself with before he decides what would be the best memorial of the war."

Barrie falls among fertile minds it will lead to the emancipation of all suffering childhood in this land.

It is rather more than fifty years since Dr. Barnardo rescued his first urchin, and 90,000 others have been gathered in since then by the system he created. Ten thousand went into the war, 6,000 from Canada to fight for the Motherland that helped them not at all till the Doctor rescued them.

Five hundred were killed. And many a

Grow Up," which will be published this week with sympathy upon this most important topic.

Here is a typical case. A soldier came back from the trenches to London for a few days' leave, to find that a usurper had taken his place in the home. What did he do? He very carefully washed the children—seven in all—put on their clean clothes, and took them into the street, two in his arms, the eldest boy of ten carrying another, and the others clinging to his straps. He met a policeman and told him the story.

SAVE THE CHILDREN.

"I can't leave them to that," he said.

"Take them to Barnardo's," advised the policeman.

"What, all this packet?"

"Yes. You try 'em."

He made his way to the headquarters at Stepney. But when he reached the doorstep he remembered that, although he had washed the children he had forgotten to wash himself, and the trench mud clung to him still.

They took his seven children till the war should be over, and he could come back and make a new home for them. If he should be killed they would turn them into decent men and women, make them assets of the State.

All through the war Barnardo's has been helping the soldier in need. For instance, out of seventy-six applications made to Barnardo's in Sheffield alone for the children of soldiers on service seventy of the mothers were in gaol.

Now you know why I am anxious about those 100,000 derelicts. And I urge before all things one duty on the State, before all empirical plans and schemes, development and power, all comfort and luxury, all legislation for free living.

Let it set up a Ministry of Childhood whose operations shall centre about childhood alone, and which shall co-ordinate with those who are responsible for housing and education. A sympathetic Ministry for all children of all mothers.

But planned as the average State department it will fail. It must do more. It must embrace Barnardism. It must turn the average State home and school upside down.

It must get into its system, this weary old State, the certain knowledge that a lifetime is too short to understand the stunted and broken mentality of a derelict child.

For fifty years Barnardo's have been studying the subject as a science. They know it; their men and women know it. And it is as great a science for humanity as the discoveries of Harvey and Lister. Let the State embrace their creed.

And the State must learn that children are really the national bank and that no money will yield the interest a nation will gain from its children.

NEWMAN FLOWER.

# WHERE ARE THE "GREAT" ACTORS?

## ARE THEY WAITING FOR A REALLY GOOD DRAMATIST?

By VAUGHAN DRYDEN.

It is an old point occurring at all ages. Is it close personal touch with the passing pageant that blunts our appreciation?

SOME of my friends are worrying themselves and also other people about the condition of the British stage. It seems to get on their nerves. They ask:

"Where are the really great actors? There seems to be no outstanding figure on the British boards. Nobody thrills us or charms us as Irving and Wyndham used to. What is more"—they continue, these pessimists—"there do not seem to be any youngsters coming on."

"We see no actors who can dominate the scene like the great ones of the past, who can make us weep and smile as they please, and with the magic of their art and the glamour of their magnetic personality waft us tired people to the Islands of the Blest. They are not here, and it's all wrong."

This is the kind of thing that these mourners give out. I do not make these observations myself. I would not dare to; for no sooner had the words appeared than forty publicity-managers would ring up on their forty telephones and tell me with forty voices—but all vibrating with whole-hearted enthusiasm—that at their own theatre the person inquired for was to be found.

THE MUMMER'S HANDICAP.

No; I would not assert that we have no great actors. I know an actor; and I do not want him to cut me in the street.

Looking around, one sees the stage swarming with capable actors, intelligent and artistic. But in what kind of play are they employing their gifts, their industry and their enthusiasm?

Cheap drama and cheaper farce hold those stages not yet invaded by the "lingerie-and-lyrics" kind of entertainment. There was hardly ever a time in its history when the British drama was in such a poverty-stricken state.

Given a great drama, I believe that we may have the actors to suit it. We must beware of being misled by that expression which the actor is so fond of using—"creating a part." An actor does not create a part any more than cook creates the egg which she boils for your breakfast.

The author is the only creator inside the four walls of the theatre. The actor is there to carry out the author's creation. He is as much the executant as is the violinist who plays you an air on his violin. Some violinists are better than others; but the composition remains the same.

ACTOR-PROOF PARTS.

The actors themselves unconsciously admit this by calling certain parts "actor-proof." It is a theatrical paradox that there has never been a really bad Hamlet. The depressed Dane has been played in fair wigs and dark, with and without a German accent, but total failures have been rare. It is an actor-proof part, because it is conceived and written by a great poet.

The actor-mad will reply triumphantly: "Yes; but a great actor can do wonders with the poorest part. Look at Irving, who made two of his greatest successes in a couple of the tawdriest nailed-up melodramas—"The Bells" and "The Lyons Mail." The answer to that is that the parts in question were theatrically effective. And, anyhow, would you not rather have Irving's Becket or Wolsey than his Mathias or Dubose?

Of course, there have been actor-managers who have attempted parts for which they were unsuited. One remembers Romeos of whom one could ask, with just as much reason as Juliet, "Wherefore art thou Romeo?"

This is one of the drawbacks of the actor-manager system, for if the head of the whole concern chooses to cast himself unsuitably there is no one to say him nay. A director who could see the star as he did not see himself would prevent these catastrophes.

It appears, therefore, that what the British stage now needs is not so much great actors as great poets and great directors. A director, not an actor, with vision and intelligence would, in the ideal theatre, choose the plays and cast them. And under him should be a "producer" of genius. And it would be a bad look-out if director, poet and producer could not between them put before us a performance which would make us forget to ask if there were any great actors. V. D.



TURKS SURRENDER.—At first the Turks in the Southern Yemen and Aden hinterland refused to surrender when the armistice was signed. Now they have done so.

# THE FUTURE OF THE MESSENGER GIRL.

## HOW UNIFORMS HAVE HELPED TRAINING AND DISCIPLINE.

By MARGARET BELL.

THERE is a little street in the heart of Westminster which is very much perturbed over the news that the girl messengers are to be demobilised at once.

When the call came for girls to distribute the messages of tragedy and joy which the thin brown envelopes of the telegraph office contained, practically every house in this street sent a youngster in pigtail out into the big world of war activity.

Soon the street at evening felt the click, clack of hurrying heels and heard the laughter of a small army of uniformed figures rolling home to supper.

This appealed to it. It liked to see the trim blue, with the insignia of public service on the coat lapels.

It still wants uniforms. This with the spirit of independence infused by the recent war duties is causing the dove of determination to flutter its full-fledged wings where the soon-to-be-dismissed congregate.

"I know a big dressmaker who wants three messenger girls," one of these youthful enthusiasts told me. "They are to be given neat dark green uniforms, have all their meals in and receive fifteen shillings a week. The hours are not long—nine till six. So three of us are going to apply."

"I'm going to be a buttons," another announced. "I don't care if it is domestic service. I've got peeps into so many of the big houses that I want to see what they're like to live in."

"I've had an offer to stand in front of a sweetshop in Regent-street and open the door, but I don't fancy standing up all day," said a third. "Walking's not nearly so tiresome."

A fourth thought the work of showing people to their seats in a cinema would appeal to her, because she would have the twofold advantage of wearing a uniform and seeing all the pictures free.

The uniform's the thing with the mothers, too.

"You can't imagine the difference it has made in our street," one of them confided to me, "seeing a lot of neat, well-dressed girls going out of a morning, instead of hanging about the railings, the way they did before the war."

"It sort of makes us mothers feel that we had daughters serving as well as sons, and made those who had no sons feel that they were doing whatever they could."

"I hope they'll all get work that will provide uniforms and keep them as busy as they've been the last two or three years. It keeps them out of mischief."

"There's nothing like regular hours and a good boss for a young girl. That finishes the training that us mothers are often too busy to bother with, when the girls turn fourteen or fifteen."

M. B.



## THE ARMY IN COLOGNE.



The British officers' club, formerly a well-known hotel.

## IN NEWS



Miss L. Thompson.



Lt. H. Thompson.

Lt. Hubert Thompson, M.C., and his sister Lucy, who went to France with the first W.A.A.C. contingent, have both been mentioned in dispatches. They belong to Birmingham.

## BACK IN LONDON



Lady Diana Manners, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Rutland, who has returned to London from Paris.

## LATEST IN BL



A white blouse with a double collar. It is of hand.

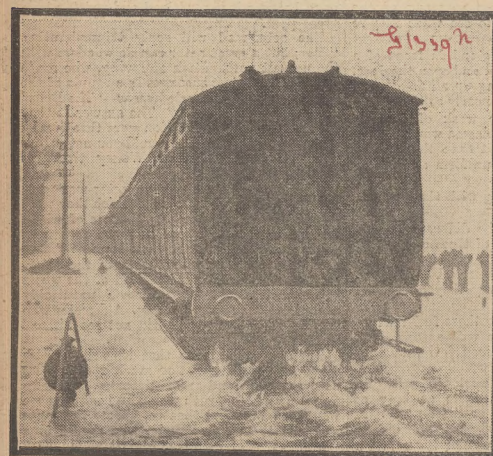


Australians enjoy the skating. In many cases it is their first introduction to the sport.

The officers and men of the Army of Occupation are getting plenty of amusement, and there has been excellent skating at the Cologne Zoological Gardens. The officers have very comfortable quarters.—(Official photographs.)



AIRMAN'S PLAN.—Lt. Royet, who proposes to make a flight across the Mediterranean. Many long-distance flights are at present in contemplation.



OUR WONDERFUL CLIMATE!—The lines at Burnt Mill (G.E.R.) are flooded to the depth of 9 in., and this nearly causes a stoppage of traffic. The Stort, near by, overflowed its banks.



RETIRED.—Supt. Page, deputy chief constable of Lowestoft, found homes for thousands of Belgian refugees when war broke out.



AS WARM AS TOAST.—A Belgian motorcyclist in his winter kit. "Dressed so, he doesn't care if it snows."



A smart hat of corded silk strapped with pretty but very expensive.



# AND HATS



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# ACTING IN PARIS



A new portrait of Miss Angela Forbes, who is now appearing with success at the Folies Bergeres in Paris.

# IN NEWS

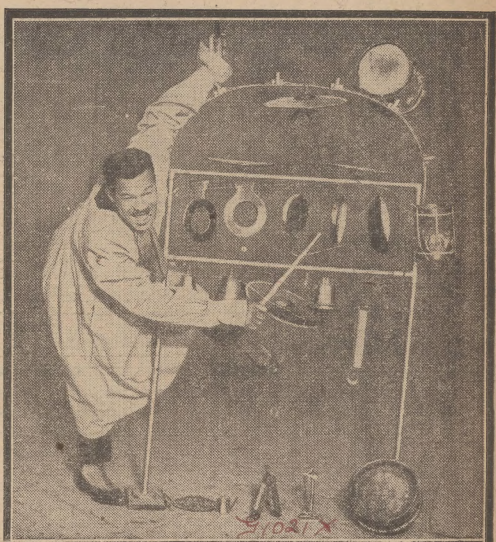


Mrs. Marcus Dimdale, sister of Lord St. Davids, who is standing for the County Council at Histon, Cambridgeshire.

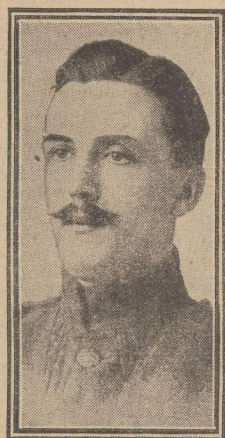


BAR TO D.F.C.—Lieut. Horace Dale Barton, who accounted for fourteen enemy aeroplanes and a kite balloon.

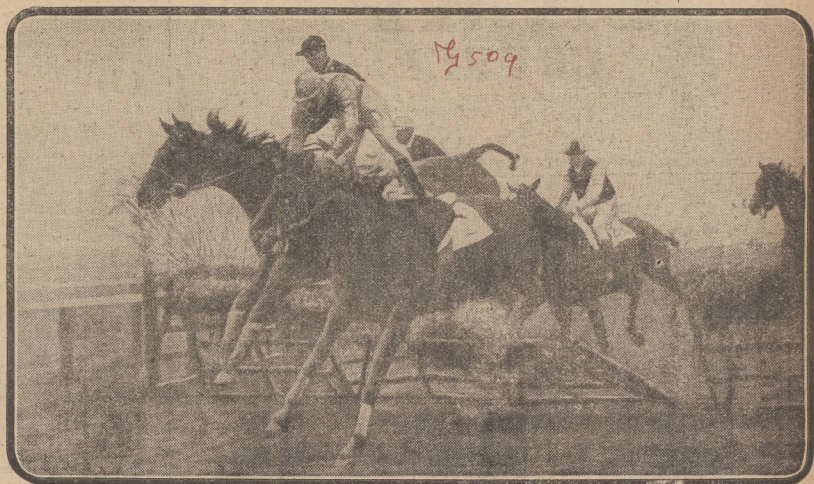
# FIRST REAL JAZZ BAND.



It is claimed that the jazz band to play at Prince's on February 25 will be the first heard in this country.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



DODGED THE HUNS.—Cut off during the retreat from Mons, L/C. E. C. Russell found himself in occupied territory, but eluded the Germans for fifty-one months.



J. Dillon was thrown at an obstacle in the Hampton Handicap Hurdle Race—



ROYAL RECEPTION.—The Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden at the reception they held in London. Lord Crewe on left.



EARL OF MACDUFF.—The little son of Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, to be a page at Princess Patricia's wedding.



RACING AT SANDOWN PARK.—Despite the wretched weather, a start was made with this transferred meeting yesterday and the sport was very fair.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)





### Safeguarding the Nation's Health

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PRIVATE P. O'NEIL

Australian Imperial Force, France

"I had to make nightly trips up with rations; this is rather ticklish work, as the roads are constantly being shelled. The continual strain at last told on me, and it was getting worse and worse, until one of my chums put me on to Phosferine, and I am glad to say that it worked, and I am once again fit."

(2)

PRIVATE W. J. CLARK

8th Batt., 2nd Brigade, Australian Imperial Force, France

"We had a pretty rough time towards the end of last year, shells and bombs day and night. The man who is not wounded pays the price in another direction, nerves; mine went, so I looked round for a remedy, heard of Phosferine and tried it; it did the trick and now I feel like a new man."

(3)

CORPORAL C. MCGHAY

Dispatch Rider, Australian Imperial Force, France

"I was motor dispatch riding in France and had a pretty lively time through continually being on the roads under heavy shell fire, the result of which was that my nerves gave way and I had to be returned to England. I was recommended to try Phosferine, and after taking it for a short while I felt quite well again."

(4)

PRIVATE F. J. DONOVAN

1st Anzac Headquarters, France

"In Gallipoli, Phosferine Tablets did me yeoman service and proved a veritable godsend during those ghastly days in the Peninsula. A return of the old fever trouble withdrew me from the line, and but for the fortifying influence of Phosferine I might possibly not have been writing this."

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# Cream Custard





Lady Winifred Penmore, whose husband has been made Secretary to the U.S. Legation at Lisbon.



Miss Phyllis Dare, who may return to the stage as lead at the new Winter Garden Theatre.

## THE 1919 COURTS.

**A Foreign Title for "Sir Douglas"?—The Very Youngest Actress-Manager.**

I AM INFORMED THAT the King has just reversed the decision at which he arrived a little time ago, and that a Court will be held after all at Buckingham Palace this year, and the last Friday in May is now named as the most probable time for this to take place. As there have been no presentations to the King and Queen since June, 1914, the rush is likely to be a record, but presentations will be limited.

### Princess "Pat's" Party.

The party that Princess Patricia is giving at St. James' Palace on Tuesday promises to be a large one, and will be, of course, one of the outstanding events of the season. Incidentally it marks an innovation in royal entertaining. There will be many royalties present, headed by the King and Queen.

### The Railway Problem.

I am informed on the highest authority that the illness of Sir Albert Stanley will not delay the negotiations between the railwaymen's leaders and the Railway Executive Committee. Every effort is being made to effect a speedy settlement.

### Cannot Get Away.

Mr. Lloyd George ought to be in Paris. But he cannot get away until he can see light through the industrial clouds. So he will probably be kept in London until the end of next week at least.

### Freedom.

Several members of Parliament are going to be publicly inquisitive as to the exact meaning of the expression "freedom of transit" in the draft of the League of Nations. Has it anything to do with "freedom of the seas"?

### To Strike.

People in Wales are under no delusion as to the way the miners' ballot is going. The Welsh miner is probably better versed in the gentle art of striking than any other class of worker, and his unanimity this time is wonderful. One who is likely to know tells me that the ballot will disclose an 85 per cent. majority for "down tools."

### About Tanks.

We have heard so much as to the origin of the tanks that it is quite time to show you the photograph of Sir Eustace Tennyson d'Eyncourt herewith. He does not claim to be the only creator of these engines, but anyhow he was the head of the committee which produced the same.



Sir E. T. D'Eyncourt.

### Naval Construction.

Sir Eustace was made Director of Naval Construction as long ago as 1912. In his spare time he talks and writes on naval architecture, about which he knows more than you or I. He is a K.C.B., and also has been decorated by the French with the Legion d'Honneur.

### On the Screen.

A friend of the late Sir Mark Sykes reminds me that he once figured on the film—and nearly spoilt it. "An angry debate" in the House was being filmed, Sir Mark and other statesmen participating in a "heated scene." Someone—Mr. Will Thorne, I think—happened to mention that the place was a gas works, and its relationship to Parliament was too much for Sir Mark, who instantly collapsed with a shriek of laughter.

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

### Comte Haig?

I hear an intriguing rumour that Sir Douglas Haig may be offered a foreign title as well as his British earldom. The King of the Belgians is said to be anxious to identify thus the British Commander with one of the closing victories of the war, won on Belgian soil.

### Precedents.

Of course, everybody knows that British commanders have borne similar titles before. There is the Duke of Wellington, for instance, one of whose titles was the Marquis of Douro, recalling the Peninsular War.

### Following the Fashion.

Princess Margaret, as we still call the Crown Princess of Sweden over here, shined at the Piccadilly Hotel that she is still one of the smartest royalties. She wore black satin, slit up to show an under-dress of dove-grey, but even a mere man noticed that it had the fashionable hem—a fringe of beads.

### Opposed.

The Crown Prince walked about, chatting with British officers chiefly, but I noticed he gave particular attention to Miss Lind-Agheby, the feminist, and Sir Almoth Wright, the anti-feminist. Lord Crew came in for much of his conversation, too.

### Pianist and Politician.

Mr. Mark Hambourg says that he is tired of being mistaken for Mr. Ben Tillet. Near the Coliseum the other afternoon a son of toil



The Marquis de Bourboul, one of the hostesses at the Slavo dance on Monday.



Miss Margaret Macmillan, candidate for Deptford in the L.C.C. election.

accosted him with: "Good luck to you, Ben! Whatever you do, see that we gets more beer."

### "Double, Double, Toil and Trouble."

Another pair of doubles are Mr. Dan Irving and Mr. William O'Brien. Now that the Irishman is no longer in Parliament the Socialist will not be drawn so much into unexpected conversations with fervid exiles

### Mr. Bonar Law's Puzzle.

A Bonar Law letter has puzzled the congregation of a provincial church. It was given to the vicar to put up for auction in the aid of some local charity. But the vicar first held a reading competition with a sixpenny entrance fee, ten per cent. going to the winner. No one has yet solved it, and the charity is seven pounds odd to the good.

### The Child the Father—

Even as a schoolboy Mr. Law's writing was not promising. Thirty or more years ago his schoolmaster—an old Scots dominie—wrote of him: "Master Law is a boy of great mental power, and has in everything, except penmanship, made excellent progress."

### A Charity Dance.

"In-aid-of" dances are now just as fashionable, or more so, than matinees. There will be one at the Savoy on Friday week with the idea of assisting the funds of the Women's Farm and Gardens Union. Lady Newnes is chairman of the committee, which also includes many well-known people.

### Jellicoe in India.

An old Bombay resident tells me that if H.M.S. New Zealand is to lie in Bombay Harbour from March 19 to May 1, Admiral Jellicoe's visit is not very well timed. He will arrive just at the beginning of the hottest season of the year.

### Chef's Poetic Wife Decorated.

I met M. Escoffier, the Carlton chef, looking more dignified than ever. He told me that his wife, who, under the name of Delphine Daffis, is known to Paris as a poetess, has been decorated with the Violet Ribbon as Officier d'Academie Francaise.

### Actors' Memorial.

I was at the memorial service at Westminster Abbey yesterday to the members of the theatrical profession who had laid down their lives in the war. The Dean of Westminster, vested in a black cope with gold embroidery, read the prayers.

### Mourners.

In spite of the weather, there was a good attendance. Mr. Charles Hawtrev, I noticed, joined heartily in the singing of the hymns. Among the other notabilities present were Sir Squire Bancroft, Lady Tree, Mr. H. B. Irving, Miss Lillian Braithwaite, Mr. H. V. Esmond, Mr. Arthur Helmore and that old friend of the acting profession, the Rev. Stewart Headlam.

### Principal of Jesus.

So Dr. Edwards, the Bishop of St. Asaph, is not to resign his see to become principal of Jesus College, Oxford, after all. In fact, I am told on the very best authority that there is no likelihood of the post being filled for a while—it may be for a long while.

### Habit.

A demobbed "pivotal" feeling ill, called upon his panel doctor, also released from the colours. Almost unconsciously the latter remarked: "You should be ashamed of yourself, coming here with petty complaints. Medicine and duty!"

### The Latest Shortage.

There is a shortage of gas meters. One company alone wants 60,000 of them. The lack of meters is likely to impede housing schemes, and to prevent old houses being turned into flats.

### The Diamond Boom.

Jewellers tell me that there has never been such a rush for diamonds as there is just now. Of course, the output from Kimberley is very carefully regulated, so that ornaments of diamonds may not be "within the reach of all." Likewise, the jewels will not fall in value.

### "P. M. A."

Saturday is fixed for the matinee at the Kingsway Hall in aid of the Printers' Medical Aid Association, and there will be a big programme. The association has felt the strain of the war very much. Especially as all its members joining the forces have been given free benefits. So that everybody hopes to see a large addition to the funds.

### Servant's Seven Days' Grace.

A woman friend is without a cook and housemaid. A prospective maid has declared herself willing to be employed provided a cook is first engaged, and has given my friend seven days to find one.

### Theatre Famine.

The dearth of theatres does not seem to deter people from announcing that they are going into management. Here is Miss Haidee de Rance, who boldly says that she aims to blossom into an actress-manager ere the leaves fall from the trees.



Miss Haidee de Rance. 1919/20

### Youthful Ambition.

Miss de Rance will probably be the youngest actress-manager in London, for she claims no more years than twenty-two. Up to now Miss Mario Lohr has been the "baby" among ladies who both run theatres and act in them.

### Cheerful Comrades.

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# THE LOVE TRAIL

## PEOPLE IN THE STORY.

**HELEN CARSTAIRS**, a young and beautiful typist, who is engaged to  
**ROY DUNBAR**, the assistant manager of the firm which employs her.  
**KITTY LATIMER**, Helen's stepmother, engaged to  
 Dennis Clare, a Canadian farmer, but in love with Helen's fiancé.  
**HUGH LONSDALE**, who, masquerading as Roy Dunbar, has been flirting with Kitty.

## ROY MAKES A PROMISE.

"I don't think you had better try to see Helen and Dennis to-night," said Kitty. "I expect they will be going out somewhere in any case. Perhaps to-morrow—"

"There is no time to be lost," interposed Roy. "I shall come down with you to Sydenham. I may, or call later in the evening, in the hope of seeing Helen. We can explain matters to her."

"No, no, I—I don't think that would be wise," Kitty protested.

She was becoming alarmed now at the thought of the possible consequences of her action. Already, she knew, her father was annoyed with her, and if Roy insisted upon accompanying her to Sydenham and forced her to tell the whole truth she would find herself in a desperate position.

In the first place, she would have to admit that she had behaved exceedingly foolishly from the outset, that she had been guilty of duplicity and evasion, and of utter falsehood. She would have to acknowledge that she had allowed Helen and Roy to suffer needlessly, and had thrown the blame of all that had occurred on the latter.

She would be made to look foolish when the fact was revealed that the man she had fancied herself in love with was now married to another girl, and that she now found herself left in the lurch. Then, again, her father would know that she had disobeyed his express commands and had been meeting both Hugh Lonsdale and Roy. She knew he would be furious, and the thought of his wrath made her shiver.

"You see, Mr. Dunbar, nobody at home understands the position," continued. "My father would probably refuse to receive you or to listen to anything you have to say, and Helen might do likewise. As for Dennis—well, you know how difficult he is. He is so touchy, and so set down feeling badly. His natural impulse was to rush off and endeavour to see Helen instantly, and realisation that this might not be possible made him chafe with impatience. Nevertheless, he recognised that there was a certain amount of wisdom in what Kitty said, and that undue haste and over-eagerness on his part might complicate the position further."

"What do you suggest, Miss Latimer?" he asked.

"Well, I think you had better let me speak to Helen to-night, and ask her to meet you to-morrow," replied Kitty. "Helen has gone back to business, and you would not be able to meet her after five o'clock. It is too late to try to see her this evening," she added, as Roy glanced hastily at his watch.

"But—great Scott!—must I sit and do nothing until to-morrow evening?" burst out Roy. "It is maddening!"

"It can't be helped," commented Kitty, stiffly. She felt again that Roy was thinking too much of himself, and too little of the girl he was so anxious to see. "What do you intend to do when you do see Helen?" she queried.

Roy's pale face crimsoned at the question, as if he were a bashful schoolboy, and he looked embarrassed. He had no definite plan, but he knew just what he wanted to do. He wanted to take Helen in his arms, to cover her sweet face with burning kisses, to tell her of his love, and to beg her to confess that she still loved him.

But it was hardly possible to tell Kitty Latimer all that, and her abrupt question gave him pause, and make him think furiously.

"I—er—I have not quite made up my mind," he answered, reluctantly. "When I have had an opportunity of—er—explaining everything to Helen, and clearing away this terrible misunderstanding, no doubt we shall be able to decide what is to be done in regard to Dennis Clare. Of course, this fantastic engagement must be broken off immediately."

"You won't throw all the blame on me, will you?" asked Kitty, looking worried. "Remember that it was to—help you, and to prevent getting Hugh Lonsdale into trouble, that I acted as I did. If Helen hadn't been so proud and forgiving, she would have listened to my explanation long ago, and everything might have been all right."

"I thought you might be able to think of some plan which would make Dennis see that I am not to blame, and that I have been a sort of—er—victim of a conspiracy," she went on. "I don't want to get into trouble with my people, and I don't want to have to drag Hugh Lonsdale's name in now."

"I am quite ready to forgive Dennis Clare, to apologise if I must, and to—make it up. But I am not going to be made a sort of 'scape-goat.'"

Again Roy rubbed his chin thoughtfully and bit his lips, looking doubtfully at Kitty meanwhile. He had a vague sense of irritation, but his innate chivalry made him prove to her the blame of all that had happened on the girl's shoulders, although he felt that she was at fault.

"Oh, I assure you that I shall not attempt to make you a scapegoat, Miss Latimer," he responded, after a pause. "I shall leave it to Helen to decide what Dennis Clare shall be told. Perhaps it will simplify matters if we make it plain to him that you have been a sort of

victim of circumstances, and are anxious to be reconciled. In any case, he must realise that he must give Helen up."

"But supposing he refuses to believe what he is told, and tries to hold Helen to her promise, as he has done already?" queried Kitty anxiously.

"Then I shall take Helen from him and find some other way of dealing with him," answered Roy forcefully, his eyes glinting. "Are you sure it is impossible for me to see Helen or Clare to-night?"

"It may not be absolutely impossible, but it certainly wouldn't be wise," replied Kitty. "It wouldn't do any good to make a scene at our house, and it would only make things more difficult. Let me talk to Helen to-night—explain and—er—pave the way—then you can meet her to-morrow and arrange everything."

## KITTY'S REQUEST.

THERE seemed nothing for it but to assent to the plan, although to Roy, burning with impatience, "to-morrow" seemed an eternity away.

"You can meet Helen as she leaves her office to-morrow evening," said Kitty, as she rose to go after some further discussion. "I will phone you in the morning, and let you know if everything is all right. . . . Promise me that you won't throw all the blame on me."

Roy promised readily enough, suddenly anxious to get rid of her and to be alone, so that he could think over the amazing thing which she had said. He felt like a man who had suddenly been lifted from the very slough of despair to the heights of heaven.

As for Kitty, as she hurried homeward she was wondering if, after all, she had been wise in sending Roy and to tell him the truth, although he had promised to help her and not to make her a scapegoat. Her anxiety, of course, had been for herself, and she began to reflect again that if her action merely had the result of bringing Helen and Roy together again, but did not restore Dennis Clare to her, she would have been better to have held her peace and let matters drift.

Although Roy Dunbar won't let Dennis marry Helen, so that's some consolation," she reflected. "I hope to goodness Helen won't be nasty when she learns the truth, and won't cause a row."

Roy's heart had arranged to dine with some Canadian friends he had met at the ball, and consequently he did not put in an appearance at Sydenham that evening—the relief of both Helen and Roy. It was not until Helen was about to retire for the night, however, that Kitty had an opportunity of speaking to her alone, for Helen spent the evening in the drawing-room with Mr. Latimer and Mrs. Harrison.

"I have seen Roy Dunbar, as I said I should," announced Kitty as she followed Helen into her bedroom.

Helen wheeled round instantly, her eyes dilating, the colour rushing to her fair face. All the evening she had looked pale, pensive and subdued, and more than once her stepfather had rallied her on the fact, protesting that she did not look at all like a happy bride.

"Now, at the mere mention of Roy's name, her apathy vanished. "You have seen him!" she repeated breathlessly. "You mean that you have actually asked him to marry you?"

"Yes," answered Kitty composedly. "I hope it will be all right. He seems to be very much in love with you, and wanted to come here to-night to see you and Dennis. Of course, I told him not to be absurd."

"But he is going to meet you to-morrow as you leave business, Helen, and talk things over with you. I hope you won't be ridiculous, like you were at first, and refuse to talk to him."

"You will be trouble if you do. He said to-night that he would prevent your marrying Dennis Clare if he had to take you from him by force—and he looked as if he meant it!"

Again the colour glowed in Helen's cheeks, and her heart began to pulse wildly. Once more she recalled Roy's passionate words at the ball, and the recollection gave her a sort of painful pleasure.

"I am quite hopeless, Kitty," she commented, as Kitty passed expectantly. "He can never be anything to me now, and it will only make matters worse to see him. I can't—"

"Oh, don't be so ridiculous!" interjected Kitty, impatiently. "You know very well that you are in love with him, and I tell you that he is in love with you. He isn't to blame for what happened—I have told you that before, too—and he will be able to explain everything to you. You must just see him. I didn't tell you the whole truth."

"I assure you that you have misjudged him, and that he never made love to me. Promise that you will see him for my sake as well as your own. Promise you will do your best to send Dennis back to me."

"But—oh, what do you mean? Why this mystery?" cried Helen, in distress and perplexity.

"He will explain, Helen, if only you will give him the chance," responded Kitty. "You must. It is the only way of escape."

Helen winced, remembering that she had accepted Dennis as a sort of "way of escape." Now Kitty urged that the only way of escape from Dennis was to meet Roy again! It seemed ironic.

"I can promise you nothing, but I should like to see him to-night, if she says so, after a moment of hesitation. If you think it will do any good. . . ."

"Oh, I was sure you would agree!" cried Kitty. "You will be able to arrange something between you. Do please, remember that I want Dennis

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Helen Carstairs.

back, Helen, and don't try to throw the blame for what has happened on me. I couldn't help myself. Mr. Dunbar will explain."

She kissed Helen hastily, and hurried from the room without attempting to explain matters further. Helen sat down on the edge of her bed, springing her hands together tightly, and trying to control her rising excitement.

How could it be possible that Roy was not to blame? She asked herself for the hundredth time. What explanation of his conduct could be possible? What had Kitty meant by saying she had not told the whole truth?

Could it be true that Roy really loved her so much? Had she done right to promise to meet him again? How would she greet him, and what would she say to him? Could any good come of the meeting?

These and a score of other questions banished sleep from her eyes and kept her tossing restlessly. Her mind being distractedly, throughout most of the long night.

## THE MEETING.

SHE rose feeling weak, excited and a little frightened, and during the day her nervousness increased. It was only by an effort of will that she was able to concentrate her attention on her work, and when five o'clock came at last her heart was throbbing as if it would burst as she dressed and left the office.

Panic gripped her for a few moments as she walked down the stairs to the street. What if she should find Roy waiting for her, as he had done before, and should see her meet Roy? There might be a scene in the street—even a tragedy!

Helen came to a halt as the thought flashed across her mind, and stood wondering, her hand pressed convulsively to her throbbing heart. Then, with a great effort, she mastered her agitation, keyed up her courage and went forward resolutely, her lovely face white as marble and her lips tight and compressed.

Roy, who had been waiting in the entrance-hall for fully ten minutes, saw her approaching, and hurried towards her. He, too, was pale, but his eyes were glowing, and he was in a quiver of excitement. He asked, trying to speak endlessly, and he had found it almost impossible to control his restlessness and excitement.

Kitty had telephoned to him during the morning to tell him that Helen had agreed to meet him, and now—now, at last, the moment for which he had been longing had come.

"Helen!" he exclaimed, gaspingly, and gripped Helen's hand so tightly in his emotion that she winced with pain.

"Surely you understand now, Helen?" continued Roy, after a breathless pause. "Your sister has explained?"

"No, I am afraid I do not understand," Helen answered, with a calmness that surprised herself. "Kitty told me that you wished to explain."

"The calm words were like a douche of cold water on Roy. He gasped, then controlled himself instantly, mastering his agitation."

"You mean that—that you do not understand even now that it was not I who flirted with your stepmother?" he asked, trying to speak steadily, but his voice quivered in spite of him. "Miss Latimer has apparently not made it clear to you even yet that the man in the case was my cousin, Hugh Lonsdale!"

Hugh Lonsdale repeated Helen, with a start, her blue eyes widening.

She remembered Hugh Lonsdale's visit, his admission that he had been sent to her by Roy, and his blundering explanations and apologies. It came back to her that he had said something to the effect that Roy had ordered him to say that it was he (Lonsdale) who had been making love to Kitty; and she remembered, too, that Kitty had asserted that she did not even know Lonsdale.

"It was Hugh Lonsdale who carried on a flirtation with Miss Latimer," continued Roy quickly. "Lonsdale told her that his name was Roy Dunbar, and she was not until Miss Latimer called at my office that she discovered the deception. Lonsdale promised me that he would tell you everything, and he called upon you to explain and confess."

"But, Dunbar, you promised to explain, but apparently neither made it clear to you that I was not the 'Roy Dunbar' whose acquaintance your stepmother had made, and with whom she was apparently in love?"

"Yes, I did," Helen answered, stammered, tripped to ask the question, yet somehow knowing by the look in his eyes that he had told her the truth.

"Yes, it is true, Helen," answered Roy quickly. "I swear it, and I can prove it, if you still doubt me."

Two or three girls came along at that moment from some other office in the building, and glanced curiously at Helen and Roy as they passed.

"Let us go," said Helen unsteadily, her mind in a turmoil, and they went out together into the street.

They turned in the direction of Victoria, and for a moment walked along in silence.

"Do you believe me, Helen?" asked Roy suddenly, beginning to find the strain of silence and uncertainty unbearable. "Do you understand now?"

"Yes," Helen answered, with something like a sob, and impulsively laid her hand on his arm. "Oh, Roy, can you forgive me?"

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We are able to-day to give the true version of how the big Handley-Page bombing machine, upon which the Germans are stated to have modelled their Gothas, fell into the hands of the enemy.

One of the men on board the machine, describing what happened, says:—

We left England on our way to France at 11.30 a.m. on January 1, 1917. The crew consisted of pilot, observer, and three mechanics.

When over the Channel and before reaching the French coast we ran into very foggy weather, and came down to lower altitude to find the coast, but failed.

The fog went right down to the sea, and we were compelled to ascend again, and rose clear of it, this time at 5,000ft., but ran into what was apparently a thunderstorm.

This in the light of after events must have made our compass defective. We decided to return to England, but the weather appeared to be growing worse, and we endeavoured to make for the nearest land.

Once again we turned and made for France.

### SAW A CHURCH STEEPLE.

**Machine Captured Before Our Men Could  
Destroy It.**

When we knew we must be over land we came down to a low altitude to find a landing.

Flying at about 150ft., we noticed a church steeple and made for it, as representing some village, where we could get information as to our whereabouts and land in a field near by.

Not a soul was to be seen. The pilot and observer found some French children about a quarter of a mile away. They were unable even to ascertain the fact that the place, as we afterwards learned, was called Chalandry.

While the party was distributed some German soldiers rushed out and captured the remainder before they had time to fire the machine or even to realise that they were in territory occupied by the enemy.

The Germans freely expressed their admiration for the workmanship of the machine whilst doubting its utility.—Central News.

## CENTRAL HALL WEDDING.

**First Ceremony To Be Celebrated  
There Took Place Yesterday.**

The first wedding to be celebrated in the Central Hall, Westminster, took place yesterday.

"My father, or rather my step-father, so highly esteemed the preaching of the Rev. T. Dimdale, T. Young, that he wanted his daughter to be married by him," was the explanation given by Miss Olive Combes, who acted as "best man" when her sister, Miss Hilda Combes, married to Captain William A. Pouchet, late R.A.M.C., in the Central Hall, Westminster, yesterday.

The Rev. Dimdale T. Young performed the ceremony. A reception was held later in the Conference Hall. Both families live in Gillingham, Dorsetshire.

The bride wore a fawn coat-frock, embroidered in pale blue and fur. She carried a bouquet of crimson roses and heather. Her sister wore a champagne navy blue gown and fringe-trimmed hat.

The bridegroom who was demobilised a month ago, spent three years in France with the 41st Casualty Clearing Station.

## 44-HOUR WEEK PROBLEM.

**Will Transport Workers Allow  
Settlement by Arbitration?**

The Transport Workers' Federation at yesterday's conference decided to instruct their representatives to await the proposals presented by the employers before deciding whether they are prepared to accept the suggestion that their claims for a forty-four hour week be submitted to arbitration.

The committees of employers and workers submitted their reports to the Ministry of Labour yesterday afternoon, and afterwards the transport workers' conference met to give its final decision.

A member of the conference stated that there was an uneasy feeling that, with past experience of arbitration and the lines of compromise usually observed, the proposal of the Ministry of Labour would not meet with the approval of the majority of delegates.

## PICCADILLY-CIRCUS.

According to building plans submitted to the London County Council, a revised proposal contemplates the abolition of Piccadilly-circus as a circular open space and give it a rectangular form.



IRISH PLOUGHING MATCH.—One of the women who took part in a motor-tractor ploughing competition held near Dublin. They gave a clever display.

## PEERLESS BEAUTY.

**Will £500 Prize Winner Be  
World's Loveliest Woman?**

### "DAILY MIRROR" CONTEST.

If the originals of some of the portraits of the entrants in *The Daily Mirror* £1,000 Beauty Competition are as beautiful in real life as their photographs indicate, then the £500 prize-winner may well be said to be without an equal in the world.

Many of the portraits being selected as "probables" are of women and girls lovely beyond description.

Every possible type of beautiful womanhood is represented, and perhaps the most perfect type is those who hail from peaceful domestic surroundings.

The greatest judges of feminine loveliness often have conceded that there is no beauty in the world to be compared with that of the beautiful Englishwoman.

There is certainly every indication that Britain's Queen of Beauty, as chosen from the tens of thousands of competitors in *The Daily Mirror* contest, will equal, if not surpass, the beauty of Miss Edith Hyde, the American brunette of twenty-two, whom a jury of American artists two weeks ago acclaimed as the most beautiful woman across the Atlantic.

The well-known artists and others who form the Adjudication Committee for *The Daily Mirror* competition are:—

Mr. Solomon J. Solomon, R.A.  
Major Richard Jack, A.R.A.  
Mr. Bertram Mackennal, M.V.O., A.R.A.  
Mrs. M. Whiteford.  
Miss Lily Elsie (Mrs. Ian Boulough).  
Miss Anna Airy, R.I., R.O.I.

Cash prizes of £1,000 will be awarded by *The Daily Mirror* to the forty-nine competitors declared to be the most beautiful women war workers.

The first prize is £500, the second £100, the third £50, the fourth £25, with twenty prizes of £10 each, and twenty-five prizes of £5 each.

The first four prize-winners will be given a week's free holiday in France.

## COMMERCIAL AVIATION.

**Business Flying to Commence  
About April 1.**

Discussing the question of commercial aviation at the Aldwych Club yesterday, Lieut.-Col. W. A. Bristol, R.A.F., said that the regulations to be made must be comprehensive in character applying to both commercial and military machines.

As soon as the regulations were ready they would be published in the *London Gazette*, and flying would commence about April 1. Mr. Churchill was very anxious that nobody could say that the Government was in any degree blocking the way.

An International Conference was to draw up the laws of flying, and when they were completed flying would be able to take place all over Europe.

## SHIPPING SUBMARINE LOSSES.

In the House of Commons yesterday Colonel Leslie Wilson said that the compensation paid for British ships lost while under Government requisition and at direct Government risk is as follows:—

Amount paid, £104,031,271; first cost to owners, £51,118,206.

In addition, £1,368,825 was paid in respect of twenty-five ships whose first cost is not known.

## MR. HAROLD SOAMES' WILL.

Mr. Harold Soames (father of Lady Baden-Powell) left £281,943 8s. 3d., with net personality £275,017 16s.

Leave was granted to presume the death of Mr. Soames as and from December 26 last, when he was last heard of.

## SHOP CATERPILLARS.

**Women Who Kill Time by Looking  
and Rarely Buying.**

### "THE CATERPILLAR CRAWL."

The caterpillar crawl is still to be found in shops. Women, who pass a morning away in looking at different things with no intention of buying, are the crawlers.

The assistants call them "tanks," because they roll round the shops. A woman recently wanted to buy a £100 fur. She spent every morning for a fortnight looking at it. Her husband bought it for her in desperation and ten minutes.

American women always look at everything before they buy, and compare prices and goods in a round of visits to different shops. They select well and do not mind what they pay so that they get value," said a shop assistant.

"The caterpillar crawl is a well-known type in every fashionable London shop," said the manager of a West End store to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday.

"You can tell her at once by the caterpillar speed with which she alights from her motor-car and passes under the protection of our commissionaire's umbrella, on a day like yesterday, into the door of our shop."

"Having held up the traffic, the true caterpillar who delights in a rainy day, proceeds to drench our genuine customers while she wedges herself in the doorway enveloped in a barrage of furs."

"By this time all our experienced assistants know that the caterpillar crawler has arrived. The caterpillar then proceeds to make a tour. I have seen a certain fashionable caterpillar make her entry at eleven o'clock in the morning and leave at dusk. During that time she made a revolving purchase, but she had also seen half our goods."

"I once saw one of his Majesty's Judges exasperated to the point of vivid language because he had had to follow an expert caterpillar down a narrow passage for over half an hour."

"One of our revue producers informed me the other day that he contemplated reproducing the caterpillar crawl in a musical entertainment. It will be far less harmful and irritating on the stage than in business life."

## GIRL TEACHER WINS CASE.

**Chancery Action Follows Seeing  
Soldier Fiance Off to France.**

A girl schoolteacher's romance ended happily in the Chancery Division yesterday.

In April last Miss Helen Martin, assistant mistress at an Etonian non-provided school, received a telegram from her soldier fiance informing her that he had been suddenly ordered to France and asking her to meet him at Manchester to see him off.

On the day of absence for the afternoon from the headmaster, but the Eccles Corporation (the local education authority) had made a regulation that, except in case of personal illness, no teacher was to be absent without their permission.

The school managers were instructed to dismiss Miss Martin, which they refused to do, whereupon the education authority gave her a month's notice. Miss Martin brought the action to restrain the Corporation acting upon the notice.

Mr. Justice Younger in reserved judgment held that it would be most unfair to Miss Martin to hold that what happened was an indication of her unfitness to adequately discharge her educational duties. In his opinion no educational ground of any kind existed justifying the notice of dismissal, which he declared to be invalid. The Corporation were ordered to pay the costs.

## 18,607 ALIENS STILL INTERNED.

There are at present 18,607 aliens interned, and some 6,130 have been repatriated.—Mr. Short, in the House of Commons.

## I WILL TELL YOU FREE HOW TO REDUCE YOUR WEIGHT.



I was just a strong young woman, full of life and vigour, and fond of good things to eat, enjoying life to its fullest extent, when suddenly my weight began to increase, and, strong as I was, I began to feel the burden, especially as I am a business woman and have plenty of work to do. While my earthly self was rapidly assuming abnormal proportions, the progress in this direction brought sorrow and consternation because I knew that I must give up business or reduce my weight. I began to feel lonely, because I felt that my company was no longer desired, and I made up my mind that I was at the dangerous point of my life.

One day an inspiration came to me, after I had spent time, money and patience in vain efforts to become slim again. I acted upon this inspiration, and succeeded, for 36lb. of ponderous weight vanished in five weeks. I did not use drugs, practise tiresome exercises nor starvation diet, nor wear any appliances, but reduced myself by a simple home method, and although this is some time ago, I have never gained any weight since, and my health is as good as I could wish.

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V.A.D. and canteen worker.Engaged as clerk at War  
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ised concert party for  
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worker.Worked at the Australian Headquarters,  
Horseferry-road, Westminster.Land worker and secretary shorthand  
typewriter at Canteen Board.Has an excellent record of service to her  
credit.Navy and Army Canteen Board and enter-  
tained the wounded.Acted as clerk with a large firm in South-  
East London.An aircraft worker for three and a half  
years.

## BAD LEGS

A treatment which permanently cures bad legs without rest, when doctors and specialists have given the patient up as incurable, even with the aid of rest, is something of a novelty even in these days of medical marvels.

No apology is needed for drawing the attention of the public to the work of the National Infirmary for Bad Legs, Great Clowes Street, Broughton, Manchester, in view of the alarming increase in the number of cases of this very painful malady, which until now has been thought incurable. Ordinary practitioners as a body are, it is said, powerless to stay this advance, and unable to do any more than tend and relieve symptoms, and by means of absolute rest to patch up a case for a while until movement breaks down what has already been done, and the unfortunate sufferer has to go through it all again.

## A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

The National Infirmary for Bad Legs has for some years past directed the skill of its Staff to the perfection of a treatment in their possession which effects a permanent and lasting cure of this most distressing malady. Success of a gratifying character has, since then, been secured by their efforts, and to-day thousands of patients who have been cured by this Treatment testify to the benefits they have received.

## WHAT THIS NEW TREATMENT IS.

This new method of curing bad legs is known as the Tremol Treatment, and by the courtesy of the Secretary a newspaper representative was recently enabled to inquire into the methods of application of this new treatment. He was informed that hundreds of cases are being treated at the present time by this Institution, and that 99 per cent. of those who undergo the treatment are cured. Even the very worst cases of bad legs of twenty to fifty years' standing are cured by the Tremol Treatment without a particle of pain, without a moment's rest, without neglect of work, and without the possibility of failure. It is emphatically stated that this wonderful Treatment cures to stay cured for all time.

Think what this means! It appears to fore-shadow nothing short of a revolution in the medical treatment of all forms of bad legs. The writer was assured that there will be no more uncertain cures, for Tremol Treatment cures with absolute certainty; and that there will be no more rest cures, which never last, for Tremol Treatment cures a bad leg whilst the patient is going about his daily work. It is, in fact, claimed for this new Treatment that it will cure every kind of bad leg. By its use varicose ulcers melt away, and when combined with varicose veins, disappear; eczema vanishes; swollen and painful legs become painless and the numerous other complications of this painful disease readily yield to its application.

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## THOSE WHO LIVE AT A DISTANCE.

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# LOCH ALLEN WINS THE WALTON STEEPCHASE.

Sandown Park Course in Fine Condition Considering Snowstorm.

## DAY OF MANY MISHAPS.

From Our Special Correspondent.

SANDOWN PARK, Tuesday.

Even at the eleventh hour there was a scare as to whether steepchasing at Sandown was practicable. Snow fell heavily all the morning. Fortunately it never looked like laying, and on walking partially round the course—the weather was too vile to complete the journey—I was surprised to find the going so good as it was.

The greatest interest to-day was taken in the Walton Steeplechase, though that was born of some of its attractiveness when it was known that the Stockbridge stable would not be represented, and that Ally Sloper and The Knocks would also decline the engagement.

Hyams elected to be represented by the top weight, Shaun Spadah, rather than Sergeant Murphy or Lamentable. This was a gambling affair, 3 to 1 the field being on offer, whilst the Irish mare Herod's Daughter opened at a comparatively short price, and then went out to eighties, consequent upon a run upon Ballincarroona and Turk II.

### WAY CLEARED FOR LOCH ALLEN.

She went off at a rare pace and led the field a merry dance until the fence opposite the railway, when she came down. Vermouth, had been running well, but the ground was so soft he tumbled at the last fence, as did Valentine Maher, and the way was cleared for Loch Allen to win easily from Ballincarroona and Mark Back.

For to this we had seen a big field of very moderate horses contest the Teddington Selling Hurdle. It was run at a muddling pace, but, even so, the field was pretty well strung out at half-way, and making the going for home Heartless Maid, Golden Square and Will Patrick had it pretty well to themselves.

Golden Square, which belongs to M. Imman, the billiard champion, looked like coming along at the last jump, but for some reason or other fell well under the whip, to win by three-quarters of a length, with Will Patrick another four lengths off. The jockey of the winner is a Belgian, and was making his first appearance here.

Abakur has frequently disappointed, but Hyams had good hope of him for the Weir Chase, and odds had to be laid on. He hung badly at all his fences, however, and finished sixth of three, Ophion beating Sir Percy by six lengths.

### EVAN UNGENEROUS.

The Richmond Hurdle Race was the richest prize of the afternoon. It was for horses that had not won a hurdle race value 80 sovs. up to the time of closing, and the only winner in the entry, was not saddled.

The situation was somewhat complicated when Mr. Caldwell decided to run both Evan and Pennant. The latter was a strong overnight tip, but the stable connection was given preference in the market, and backers were right, for though Evan again ran ungenerously, after holding a good position up to the last jump, he managed to finish second to confessor, which had run well behind him. Pennant was nowhere. They were a poor lot, though Evan probably could win if he would.

Crosstree was made favourite for the Hampton Hurdle Race, which St. Tudwal declined. There was always good money for Rock Abby, however, and he won a very fine race by two lengths from the favourite, the pair having the finish entirely to themselves.

The Novice Steeplechase degenerated into a match in which Simon the Tanner only failed by a head to upset the odds laid on typical.

The principal event to-morrow, the Thames Steeplechase, will not bring out Waterbed, which is being reserved for Thursday's big race at Gatwick. Gore can play a big part in the race, and his horses are fitter than some others, for the sands at Worthing and Bognor are not very far from his training establishment at Findon.

I believe the Irish mare Pay Only runs, but shall rely upon

### SCHOOLMONEY.

which likes the course and is a genuine stayer of the improving sort.

## SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

- 1. O-CANARD. 2.50-SVINDUNE.
- 1.30-D. RYAN. 3.0-WAYLACE.
- 2.0-SCHOOLMONEY.

### DOUBLE EVENT FOR TO-DAY.

SCHOOLMONEY and SVINDUNE.

### BOUVERIE

## SANDOWN PARK RACING PROGRAMME.

1.0-THE DITTON SELLING HANDICAP CHASE. 100 sovs; 2m. Hyams 11 2b The Last (Mr. D. Stuard) Hyams 11 2b

1.30-WEIR SELLING STEEPCHASE. 2m. OPTION (7.5, Dunn), 1; Sir Percy (2.1, Mr. H. Brown), 2; Abakur (6.6, Stubbs), 2.

2.0-WALTON STEEPCHASE. 3m.-LOCH ALLEN (5.1, Kelly), 1; Ballincarroona (7.2, Captain Straker), 2; Square (10.1, St. Mary), 3; Also ran: Herod's Daughter (10.1), Shaun Spadah, Vermouth, Valentine Maher, Turk II, and Buephah.

2.30-HAMPTON HURDLE RACE. 2m.-CONFESSION (5.1, G. Young), 1; Also ran: Pennant (10.1), Dorocho (10.1), and Starflower (10.1).

3.0-HAMPTON HURDLE RACE. 2m.-ROCK ABY (5.1, G. Young), 1; Crosstree (11.8, Mr. H. Brown), 2; Golden Daisy (11.8, Piggott), 3; Also ran: Aynley (10.1), Garig Park, Theodorus, Walz, Chinnaman, Gally Strickland, and Buephah.

3.30-NOVICES' MAIDEN STEEPCHASE. 2m.-TYPICAL (4.6, W. Payne), 1; Simon the Tanner (6.4, H. Smyth), 2.

SUBMARINE SINKS SUBMARINE.—The C 34, which sank the German U 16 in the North Sea. She has since been lost, but the surviving officers and men have been granted a bounty of £100 by the Prize Court.

Corydon (Mr. H. Bottomley).....Hares 5 11 10  
Gurkha (Mr. A. Hampson).....Hampson 5 11 7  
Desmond's Song (Mr. P. Heybourn).....Bell 5 11 7  
Hopper (Mr. G. Bird).....Private 5 11 2  
Northcourt (Mr. H. Challenor).....Private 5 10 12  
Harmonist (Mr. J. Rintoul).....Rintoul 5 10 12  
Slanger Rack (Mr. J. Harris).....A. B. Sadler 4 10 2  
The Knocks (Mr. E. Nello).....Gore 5 10 12

### 2.0-THE THAMES CHASE HANDICAP, 200 sovs; 2m.

Shaun Spadah (Mr. T. McAlpine).....Hyams 5 11 6  
Waterbed (Capt. B. Bibby).....Withington 5 11 5  
Vermouth (Mr. P. Heybourn).....Bell 5 11 1  
Ballincarroona (Mr. G. Bulloagh).....Hampson 5 11 1  
Loch Allen (Mr. V. Stewart).....Gore 5 10 4  
The Knocks (Mr. E. Nello).....Gore 5 10 12

### 2.30-THE PALACE HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, 100 sovs; 2m.

Crosstree (Lord Derby).....Beatty 6 12 7  
Golden Daisy (Mr. F. Nibby).....Gore 5 11 2  
Sea Voyage (Mr. W. Blythe).....Pope 5 11 2  
Rock Abby (Mr. Court).....Young 6 11 2  
Wrecker (Mr. D. Stuard).....Beatty 6 11 2  
Minister (Mr. B. Walker).....Hartigan 5 11 2  
Pennant (Mr. Caldwell).....Hampson 5 11 2  
Chinnaman (Mr. J. Harris).....Hyams 5 11 1  
Penny Pickwick (Mr. Bottomley).....Hares 6 10 13

### 2.30-THE FEVERY CHASE HANDICAP, 120 sovs; 2m.

Antigater (Captain J. Rogers).....Gore 5 11 8  
Mr. Pick (Mr. F. Nibby).....Withington 5 11 3  
Gold Oak (Mr. A. Sanders).....Pope 5 11 3  
Valentine Maher (Mr. F. Ingram).....Pope 5 10 13

### 3.0-THE FEBRUARY CHASE HANDICAP, 120 sovs; 2m.

Golden Flecker (Mr. W. Parrish).....Ireland 5 12 9  
Limerock (Capt. E. Paterson).....A. Gordon 5 12 6  
Waylance (Mr. G. Bulloagh).....Hampson 5 11 2  
Creedy (Lord Londale).....Gore 5 11 1  
Hollins Lane (Capt. J. Denton).....Hampson 5 11 1  
Turbin Secundus (Mr. V. Thompson).....Hartigan 6 11 8  
Scarlet Button (Mr. F. Watts).....Hampson 5 11 4  
Full Step (Mr. F. Bibby).....Withington 5 11 3  
The Bore (Mr. H. Brown).....Private 5 11 4  
Seventy Five (Mr. F. Nibby).....Gore 5 10 5  
Sword Dance (Mrs. Palmer).....Hyams 5 10 0  
Ben Beech (Mr. J. McLean).....Hartigan 5 10 0  
Wife (Mr. F. Nibby).....Hartigan 5 10 0

### 3.30-THE T. BLENKIN RACE, 100 sovs; 2m.

Dorocho (Mr. J. Harris).....A. B. Sadler 10 10 10  
Limerock (Mr. F. Nibby).....Gore 10 10 10  
Swinton (Mr. M. Clapham).....Young 10 10 10  
St. Mary (Mr. A. Cunniff).....Beatty 10 10 10  
Charles (Mr. J. Harris).....Gore 10 10 10

### 4.0-THE T. BLENKIN RACE, 100 sovs; 2m.

Double Flutter (Sir G. Bulloagh).....Hampson 10 10 10  
Aussie (Mr. E. Caldwell).....Caldwell 10 10 10  
Limerock (Mr. F. Nibby).....Private 10 10 10  
Tracable (Mr. W. Dixon).....Limes 10 10 10  
The Wip (Mr. A. Douglas-Pennant).....Gore 10 10 10  
Mines (Mr. H. Heaton).....Dodd 10 10 10  
Sherron (Mr. T. King).....Eccott 10 10 10  
Baz Orr (Mr. J. McLean).....McCluskey 10 10 10  
Stamford (Mr. E. Caldwell).....Law 10 10 10  
Headless (Lieutenant Colonel Turner).....Dodd 10 10 10  
Blanco (Mr. E. Will).....De Winton 10 10 10  
Muscovite (Mr. R. Wootton).....Eccott 10 10 10

### SOME HINTS FROM THE BOOK.

Appended are the names of horses which have chances in to-day's races on recent form:

- 1.30-TONSTONE. 2.50-WRECKER.
- 1.30-TONSTONE. 3.0-WAYLACE.
- 2.0-PAY ONLY. 2.50-MUSCOTY.

### THE WHITE KNIGHT.

W. Jennings, Mitchell and Tomkins form a strong match line, and should be capable of holding the position after the heavy snowfall and recent rain, but the game is sure to be played, no matter what the weather.

The England side looks strong enough for any team in the kingdom. Club combination is well represented, and the England and Scotland sides have played together through the season for Chelsea, and the left wing for Fulham.

On the Scottish side, Steel in the half-back line and Scotland will be able to discuss the future of the game with the English side, and if they cannot break the Scottish defence and score goals, then Scotland will almost surely have improved wonderfully since joining the force.

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## BECKETT'S CONFIDENCE.

Southampton Boxer Thinks He Will Beat Wells at Stadium.

### THEN FOR GODDARD.

From Our Special Correspondent.

SOUTHAMPTON, Tuesday.

If confidence in one's ability can ensure success in a boxing contest, then Joe Beckett already would seem to have won his match with "Bombardier" Billy Wells, at the Holborn Stadium on February 27, under the management of Mr. C. B. Cochran.

I believe I could have beaten Wells at the Albert Hall if the contest had gone the championship length," said Beckett yesterday, "and I believe I shall beat him at the Stadium."

"After that I want to reverse the past decision in the case of Goddard, and then for a chance with Carpenter. I never felt better or so well as I do now; the Army is certainly the finest physical training school for any man."

Mr. Bernard Mortimer, the well-known sportsman, who is looking after Beckett at Southampton, is full of his prodigy's progress, and shares Beckett's belief as to the result.

"I am confident that Beckett can win this match," Mr. Mortimer said. "In fact, I believe him to be at the present moment the best all-round heavy-weight in the country." Beckett is doing a lot of sound preparatory work with some hefty sparring partners. They bear witness that he can give a heavy man a good grueling.

He also shows in his gymnasium a speed and nimbleness that may have surprised even his most ardent admirers.

## R.A.F. INTERNATIONAL.

Strong Teams for England v. Scotland Game at Chelsea To-day.

Two very fine teams representing R.A.F. England and R.A.F. Scotland play a "Soccer" match on the Chelsea ground this afternoon.

Mr. Pat Harrower will referee. The teams are: R.A.F. ENGLAND.—A.M. W. Smith (Manchester United), A.M. W. Betts (Aston Villa), J. Harrow (Chelsea), A.M. W. Jennings (Bolton Wanderers), A.M. A. Mitchell (Queens Park Rangers), and A.M. C. Jenkins (Tottenham Hotspur).

R.A.F. SCOTLAND.—Clarke (Sheffield United); A.M. Hinton (Southampton) and C.P.O. Jennings (Reading); Cpl. Steel (Tottenham Hotspur), A.M. Shoosmith (Manchester United) and A.M. L. Wright (Birmingham), Sgt. Potter (Spurs), Lieut. Green (Clapton) and Cpl. Scorgie (Aberdeen).

The ground will be almost sure to be in a soft condition after the heavy snowfall and recent rain, but the game is sure to be played, no matter what the weather.

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# MUCH COMPETITION GOLF IN COMING SEASON.

Will There Be a Substitute Open Championship?

## WOUNDED PLAYERS.

After four and a half years' quiescence the spirit of competition golf is reasserting itself with all its old vigour. Favourite fixtures of pre-war days have been revived thus early by several clubs with histories—as, for instance, Royal Musselburgh and Royal Wimbeldon.

By the end of next month most clubs will have embarked upon their programmes for the new season.

John L. Low—that long-time pillar of the game at the Universities, who has come naturally to be regarded as the leading mason of modern golf—was telling me the other day that all the signs he saw pointed to the existence of an increased population of the links.

Five years had made a lot of difference, he said, to men who used to prefer cricket and football; they were inclined now to seek the more tranquil exhilaration of golf.

Those who had suffered physically in the fighting were finding in a round of the course a diversion exactly fulfilling their requirements. When the truly conservative John Low forms this opinion, it may be accepted as correct.

### WONDERS OF THE WOUNDED.

Some of the wounded are doing wonders. Harry Vardon told me that when he went up for his medical examination just before Christmas he had been asked to meet second Lieutenant W. S. Lurocett, a former plus 4 player at Tottenham, who had to have a foot amputated owing to wounds received early in the war. And Mr. Lurocett declared that, in spite of this handicap, he was playing very nearly as well as he used to do.

Then we have Corporal Ernest Jones, who lost his right leg in Flanders, doing 68 at a chess tournament and beating 80 at golf, the two rounds of Littlehampton in a game of wind.

The delegates have decided against the holding of an open championship until 1920. But this does not mean that there will be no event to take its place. Most of the professionals are very anxious to have an affair equal in importance to the open championship, and perhaps the individual with the strongest feelings of all on the subject is the chairman of the Professional Golfers' Association.

### NO REASON FOR DELAY.

Consequently it is pretty certain that something will take place. Practically all the men who were in the services—as, for instance, George Duncan, Tom Ball, Abe Mitchell, Joshua Taylor and W. L. Ritchie—have been demobilised, so that there is no reason for delay.

This year's competitions will resolve themselves into very interesting struggles between the younger men who joined up and the veterans whose years kept them at home. And the general opinion is that those who went to the war will fare best.

Captain J. L. C. Jenkins, the holder of the amateur championship, is not one whit the worse, I understand, for his two wounds, and Captain C. K. Hutchison, who was a prisoner in Germany for a long while, has been playing as well as ever at Woking and elsewhere. These are instances of the long-established truth, that a good golfer never loses his form.

A professional golf the greatest rivals of the old school are expected to be Duncan and Mitchell. There is a suspicion that Mitchell, after three years with the heavy guns in France, is going to persevere with his golf. If he drives farther than he used to do, then indeed will the prodigies be indisputable facts.

R. E. HOWARD.

## TO-DAY'S ARMY RUGBY TRIALS.

The Home Army will hold a Rugby trial match at Richmond, with the idea of finding the strongest side to represent the Mother Country in the coming championship, which commences next month.

At Chiswick the South Africans will turn out a strong side to play an Australian XV.

### THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Inter-Allied Race Meeting.—An Inter-Allied Army Race Meeting will probably be held at Creteil, near Cologne, in May.

Cricket at Fulham.—At Fulham Bais this evening Seaman Arthur Hayes (Hoxton) and Young Joe Brooks (Alldgate) will box for the prize of £100.

New Zealanders Chancing.—The New Zealand team are changing their training quarters from Hornchurch to Sutton Coldfield, near Birmingham.

Grand National Riders.—Mr. J. R. Anthony stated yesterday that he will ride Ally Slicer for the Grand National, Piggott rides Poethlyn, Avila Limerock and W. Smith War Bed.

Basham and Shlevin Again.—A return match of twenty rounds between Johnny Basham and Eddie Shlevin, of the New York Athletic Club, is to take place at the National Sporting Club on March 17.

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Death of Scottish Cricketer.—The death of Tom Pryde, the well-known Scottish cricketer, is announced.



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## HELPING THE MOTORIST.



In the Quorn country, where the snow has stopped hunting. Some motorists got lost, so two soldiers cleaned the signpost for them.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



**CIVIC RECEPTION TO VIC.**—Sergeant Wood, V.C., standing on the steps of the Mansion House with the Lord Mayor of York and General Sir J. Maxwell.



**AIR CHAUFFEUR'S REGISTER.**—An R.A.F. man who desires a post as a commercial air pilot, registering at the office now opened in London for the purpose.

## A BIG MUSTER OF RECRUITS AT WHITEHALL.



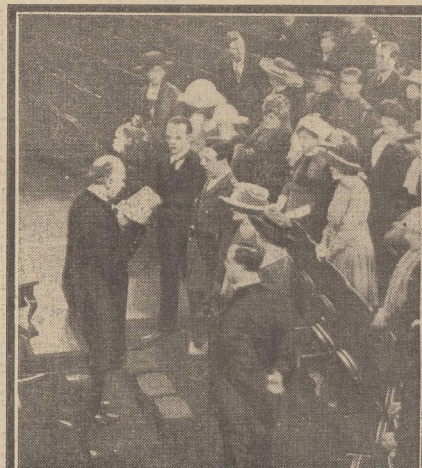
Roll call at Whitehall, where recruits are presenting themselves in large numbers for the Army of Occupation. The new conditions are proving very attractive, and many men who have been demobilised are re-enlisting, as they find the civilian conditions, with the high cost of living, very difficult.



**SECOND HONOUR.**—Lt. G. A. Bettinson, M.C., son of Mr. A. P. Bettinson, manager N.S.C., awarded an Allied decoration.



**BRIDE TO BE.**—Miss Hyacinth Bouwens, who is to marry Lt.-Col. George de Grey, D.S.O., Norfolk Regiment.



**AT CENTRAL HALL, WESTMINSTER.**—Captain W. A. Poucher, R.A.M.C., came specially to London to be married by the Rev. Dimsdale Young.—(D.M.P.)



**ROYAL DUKE.**—The Duke of Connaught, who has been appointed Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Army Medical Corps.



**WAR WORKER.**—Mrs. E. F. Shorland, three times mentioned for her services as V.A.D. commandant of an Isleworth hospital.



**MARY'S HUSBAND HAS TO SMOKE CIGAR-STUMPS.**  
**GIVE YOUR WIFE AN ALLOWANCE.**—This is the moral of "The Purse Strings," the new play at the Garrick. Miss Amy Brandon Thomas plays Mary, the wife, while Mr. Kenneth Douglas takes the part of the husband.



**MARY RECEIVES A £5 NOTE.**